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Price Levels

What Is Normal? Index Numbers Records Here

BY OUR FINANCIAL EDITOR

In the last few years there have been many opinions put forth as to the level at which commodity prices might be expected to stabilise. For the most part, these predictions have been literally but opinions, for no conclusive demonstration has accompanied them. Perhaps an exception is the train of reasoning leading to the oft heard prediction of a prolonged period of declining prices. This prediction is of considerable value, if accepted, but does not throw much light on what may be considered a normal level for the next few years. Knowledge of that level would be of real and immediate value to the business community for, if the normal is known, there is a basis for determining trend by the relative position and movement of present prices.

Index numbers are good records of prices in the past and if a continuous series is available it enables the student of economics to establish the presence of recurring features, namely, of periodicity. Such index numbers enable conjectures to be made about the future, and it is this important aspect that clothes such records with living interest. Movement of prices in the past has been in accordance with the generally recognised fact that prices move normally with the business cycle, varying above and below normal as business varies likewise. For instance, from 1914 until after the armistice, prices continued unusually above normal due, no doubt, to the incessant demand incident to the conduct of the war. This was followed by the rather extraordinary post-war boom which led in 1920 to the collapse which was only to be expected, following a so long continued period of prices far above the normal level, which had itself risen rapidly. Approximately coincident with the upturn in business prices began to recover, slowly at first. It seems, therefore, that prices are again in phase with business. In large cities there is fundamentally a relatively close connection between changes in wholesale prices and changes in employment.

SHANGHAI PRICES

We have before us a copy of "The Shanghai Market Prices Report for April-June, 1923" published by the Treasury Department's Bureau of Markets. It contains an instructive chart showing the rise and fall of the Shanghai wholesale price index. The work altogether is an interesting study of every phase of Shanghai prices, but the English section is indeed, very poor, being a translateration of the Chinese part. A good deal of its value is, therefore, lost. It is a pity that this part of the work could not be made an excellent job by such a well-known and useful organisation especially as its usefulness is recognised on all hands. It could easily employ a foreigner to put into terse English the whole report, and, what is more, it could be abridged without losing its principal features. Also, it would be a capital idea to bring the publication out earlier, for the figures and information could have been of greater use to the merchant in August last than in January of this year.

The Shanghai Prices Report is certainly most exhaustive in its treatment. The index number of prices in Shanghai was first instituted in September, 1919, with the average price in that month as the basis. The investigation of commodity prices has been conducted weekly, the index number being compiled monthly and containing five principal groups of commodities, namely, cereals, other food products, textiles, building materials and sundries. The index prices are wholesale. We are told in the preface that Shanghai has the most complex market in China, there being quotations by large and small guilds and business houses that are not classified among these. There is no tendency in this report to paint the picture in any special hue. It is a faithful record of the trend of the market of the different commodities during the period that is covered by the publication. The market news is certainly exhaustive and as we have already pointed out could be abridged.

UNFORESEEN FACTORS

Some business men have a distrust for index numbers and their use is not so much in favor. Part of the distrust may be due to faulty methods in construction of these index numbers. As a writer in the "Manchester Guardian Commercial" recently pointed out, one important matter is certain to be overlooked in a consideration of the question. The first is the assumption that what has happened in the past will happen again in the future. Unfortunately, this is an assumption which is made very difficult by the nature of the world we live in today, because unforeseen political factors are constantly thwarting the tendency of

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Weather

Rough weather. The maximum temperature yesterday was 46.2 and the minimum 42.4, figures for the corresponding day last year being 42.6 and 36.8.

The Mail Box

MAILS for U. S. and Europe, Pres. Wilson, 9 p.m. today.

FROM U. S. and Europe, Str. Pres. McKinley, 10 a.m. tomorrow.

FOR Europe via Suez, Str. Andre Lebon, 9 p.m. tomorrow.

FROM Europe via Suez, Str. Morea, a.m. today.

JAPAN ROCKED BY ANOTHER SEVERE EARTHQUAKE

Death Loss Is Under Fifty; No Foreigners On Casualty Lists

INQUIRY ON GERMANY IS STARTED BY EXPERT BODY

Committee Holds Its First Session At Paris

DAWES HONORED

American Member To Preside Over Meetings

(Reuter's Service)

Paris, Jan. 14.—The first expert committee, that dealing with German currency, met at 11 this morning in the presence of the Reparations Commission. M. Barthou, the President of the Commission, delivered a speech of welcome.

General Charles G. Dawes, the American delegate, replying on behalf of the committee, of which he is the chairman, said: "The success of the committee depends chiefly on whether in the public mind and in the conscience of the Allies and of the world there is adequate conception of the great disaster facing each Ally and Europe unless common-sense is crowned king."

M. Barthou, in his speech, said that the Reparations Commission would place at the disposal of the experts all the necessary documents. The experts would control their method of procedure and would hear Germany in the form which appeared the most useful to them. "We eagerly wish for the common good that her Government will facilitate your arduous and complex task." It was necessary, Mr. Barthou said, that results should be reached for the pacific equilibrium of the whole world depended upon a reparations settlement. The Commission rejoiced in the co-operation of America and asked General Dawes to accept the presidency of the committee.

General Dawes, replying, pointed out that the committee were not asked to determine the legality of the occupation of the Ruhr.

(Reuter's Service)

London, Jan. 14.—Reuter's Agency understands that the British Government has informed the French Government that it does not object to the despatch of two French officials to Cologne to enquire into conditions there provided the same facilities are given to Mr. R. H. Clive, the British Consul-General at Munich, for a similar mission in the Palatinate, but it is pointed out that there are already a score of French officials in the British area fully free to study and report on the situation.

The British view is that the Rhineland High Commission has no power to recognise the separatist movement in the Palatinate and that the people of the Palatin-

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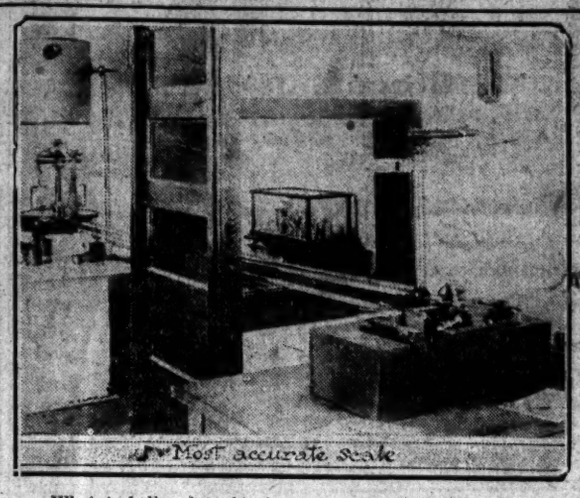
Here Is World's Most Accurate Scale



The Most accurate Scale

What is believed to be the most accurate weighing machine in the world is the high-precision balance in the Bureau of Standards, in Washington, capable of weighing with an accuracy of 1-1,000,000 fault. It is so susceptible to foreign influence that it is encased in glass and is operated by rods from another room, so as to avoid the disturbing influences caused by the heat from the operator's body.

Sikh's Stage Remarkable 'Martyrs' Parade' Following British Court Proceedings

When four Sikh newspapermen, charged with acts and conduct likely to cause a breach of the peace, left the British Police Court yesterday morning they were met by a crowd of over 200 fellow Sikhs who proclaimed them heroes and martyrs, deluged with flowers and decorated with garlands, and made the center of a remarkable, colorful, and picturesque parade that marched to The Bund chanting an Indian triumphal prayer.

At the Bund they were confronted by several foreign police inspectors and retired to the Public Gardens where prayers were offered up in picturesque manner.

The four Indians, headed by Harbasksh Singh, editor of an Indian newspaper known as "Hinde Jagawa," were charged with printing a story in which Bhudda Singh, Jemadar of the Sikh police in Shanghai, and Captain E. I. M. Barrett, Assistant Commissioner of Police, were bitterly attacked. The Sikhs first appeared in the British police court on Friday but Haraskh Singh refused to make any statement and was remanded in custody. The three others, lacking the proper martyr spirit, were remanded on bail.

DISARMAMENT

When court convened yesterday there was a grand rush by Indians to attend the proceedings, but before they were admitted they were all disarmed of the canes and sticks they were carrying.

One of the articles on which they were charged reads as follows:

"One Who Sucks the Blood of his Brethren."

This heading referred to Sirdar Sahib, and the article went on to state:

When Beatty (Captain Beatty of the S.M.P.) was about to leave Shanghai for England all the police assembled to give him a parting present, Sirdar Sahib proposed the resolution and had it approved. When the presentation was made (a pair of binoculars) at the Central Police Station, Beatty said with a smile, putting the present to his eyes: "You have presented me with a very good pair of binoculars with which to watch the Babi Akalis who have put to death loyal and faithful servants (flatterers!) of the Government.

As to where the funds for the present came from I cannot say anything for certain, but why should this Sirdar Sahib spend the Gurdwara funds on presents? . . . This is not the first time Sirdar Sahib has given presents with the funds of the Gurdwara with a view to making friends with the English.

Another extract reads:

Outwardly Sirdar Sahib shows that he really loves his people, but inwardly he is against them and on the side of the Government.

Then comes the exhortation:

Sirdar Sahib, do not dream of causing disunion among us. All are not like you, traitor and nation killer! It is a fact that to love the Sirdar Sahib is similar to giving milk to a poisonous snake."

A Sikh constable who translated the articles gave evidence concerning his translations and then the editor requested opportunity to read the original and translated articles. He took twenty minutes to make his inspection and then announced that he wished an adjournment in order to employ an attorney to defend him and more time in which to inspect the articles as it was upon the English translation that the case for the prosecution rested.

Captain Barrett testified that there was absolutely no truth in the published articles either about himself or the Sikh Chief of Police. Captain Barrett said he had had experience with Sikhs for twenty years and he was certain that the articles would have a very bad effect and might easily stir up trouble. Mr. Maitland intimated that one of the accused Sikhs had made a statement to him that might be used against the editor. He was not prepared, however, to take that Sikh (Sanfra Singh) out of the prisoner's dock and make him a witness for the Crown.

Court then adjourned until Friday morning—and it was then the parade started.

Pirates' Loot In Raid On Tzesui Over $20,000

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Ichang, Jan. 14.—The steamer Tzesui returned to port today, the river inspector navigating the vessel.

Information gathered indicates that the pirates numbered under 20 and were probably passengers from Wanhsien, but a few more joined them when the ship anchored.

It was apparently a case of pure piracy, for the Captain was first dealt with from fear of resistance on his part. Two pirates hauled him from his room and murdered him near the funnel with three shots.

The compradore lost about $2,000. The passengers were looted of money and clothing to the extent of about $20,000.

The brigands proceeded ashore with about 17 bags of loot and disappeared.

The steamer was anchored opposite the shore at Kaochiacheng and so was unable to call for help.

The Dollar Company has now ordered the steamers Kweimen and Tzesui to proceed to Shanghai, withdrawing from the run.

Captain Brandt's body is on board the Tzesui.

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Peking, Jan. 15.—An official telegram from Ichang states that as far as can be ascertained up to the present, the steamer Tzesui did not carry arms or ammunition when it was raided by pirates above Wanhsien.

RESCUE OF MRS. KILEN REPORTED TO PEKING

Civil Governor Of Honan Tells Of Release

GOING TO LOYANG

Had Been Captured In Bandit Raid At Tsaoyang

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Peking, Jan. 15.—Major John Magruder, American Assistant Military Attache, reported yesterday as follows: "The Civil Governor of Honan states that Mrs. Kilen has been rescued and is well. She will reach Loyang on January 16 or 17."

Mrs. Kilen, an American missionary, was captured in the raid made by bandit forces of Lao Yang-ren on the town of Tsaoyang. In the same raid, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Hoff were wounded, Mr. Hoff succumbing as a result of his wounds.

Lao Yang-ren, the notorious bandit leader who is held responsible for the raid, was reported in a message received yesterday from Hsuchow to have been slain by his own men.

LONDON SELLS STERLING AT RATE OF 4.23

Wild Movements Follow New Slump In Pound And Franc

(Reuter's Service)

London, Jan. 14.—On the London Exchange Market today there were wild and extraordinary movements in the leading currencies. Sterling on New York dropped to 4.23 due to the growing disposition to increase holdings of Dollars and dollar securities. French francs fell to 97.40 which is attributed to large expansion of French Government loans and currency. Saturday's rates were 4.26¾ for sterling on New York and 91 for francs.

(Reuter's Service)

Paris, Jan. 14.—The Government is drafting measures to terminate the fall of the franc. Parliamentary support is assured The Commercial Exchange has decided not to issue quotations at present with a view to preventing disorganisation of the markets.

Sun Pao-chi Takes Office At Peking

(Eastern News Agency)

Peking, Jan. 15.—Premier Sun Pao-chi assumed his office today at 11 a.m. It is understood that the first meeting of the new cabinet will be held this afternoon.

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Peking, Jan. 15.—Mr. Sun Pao-chi accompanied by Dr. W. W. Yen attended the Cabinet this morning. The first formal meeting is expected to take place tomorrow morning but there is still some doubt regarding Mr. Wang Keh-ming's acceptance.

Bismarck's Doctor Succumbs At 74

(Exclusive China Press)

Berlin, Jan. 15.—Professor Schwinninger, who was personal physician to Bismarck, died here today at the age of 74.

Dispatches Tell Story Of Quake

No Foreigners On Casualty List

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Tokio, Jan. 15.—The center of the earthquake is believed to have been near Tanzawa Mountain in Sagami Province, according to officials of the Central Observatory.

The earthquake was similar to that on September 1, but of only half its intensity. It lasted 12 minutes.

The number of dead in Tokio, Yokohama and the outside districts is probably under fifty. The other casualties are numerous but do not include any foreigners.

It is reported that a few houses have collapsed.

All communications are seriously crippled.

Three Are Reported Killed At Yokohama

(Eastern News Agency)

Tokio, Jan. 15.—It is officially reported that the damage done by today's earthquake to the district of Yokohama that has come to light up to this evening is as follows:

Three persons were killed and twelve wounded. Buildings destroyed, including dwelling houses, warehouses, schools, hospitals and factories number 15. Three bridges fell down and electric light, telephone service and water supply were interrupted for a short time and are now being restored rapidly.

The popular mind has resumed composure.

Several points on the Tokaido line were demolished and many cracks have been created in the ground. A number of trains were overturned but there were no casualties among the passengers. Although the whole length of the Tokaido line was closed to traffic for a little while, the damaged points were immediately repaired with the result that the train for Kobe was able to start from Tokio Station at 3 p.m. today.

Imperial Hotel Withstands Shock

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Tokio, Jan. 15.—The Imperial Hotel suffered a terrific rocking but sustained its quake-proof reputation. It was crowded with guests.

The shock occurred at the dawning of a raw, cold day.

Mr. Kermit Roosevelt and Colonel and Mrs. Samuel, who are visiting the Far East, were not injured.

Owing to the telegraphic interruption it is difficult to secure details from outlying districts.

BUSINESS MEN URGE PLAN TO REDUCE TAXES

(Reuter's Service)

London, Jan. 14.—The Association of British Chambers of Commerce has sent letters to Mr. Baldwin, Marquess Curzon and Mr. Neville Chamberlain drawing their attention to the fact that France and Italy at present owe £1,139,000,000 to Britain, the interest on which at 5 percent is equal to over 1/- in the £ income-tax at present paid in Britain and that the repayment of the American loan to Britain of £856,000,000 will cost £36,000,000 a year, which is equal to 8½d. in the £ income-tax. The Council of the Association are of opinion, in view of the adverse effect of high taxation on the trade of the country, that the Government should consider whether steps should not be taken to approach the French and Italian Governments with a view to securing a payment on account pending the settlement of the debts on a fair basis with the object of relieving the British tax-payer.

TOKIO AND YOKOHAMA ARE STRUCK ANEW BY TEMBLOR; RAIL TRAINS OVERTURNED

Shock Is Believed Aftermath Of Great Disaster Of September; Fires Break Out In Several Places But Are Extinguished Before They Have A Chance To Spread

Another severe earthquake shock, covering a widespread area in Japan and extending to the northern tip of the Philippines, occurred shortly before 6 o'clock yesterday morning.

Information received here yesterday and last night, however, indicates that fortunately the loss of life will be comparatively small. Reuter's agency estimates that the total deaths will be under fifty, and although there were many casualties none is reported among foreigners.

The extent of the material damage is not fully known. Tokio for a time was without lights, tram service and means of communication and partly without water, but repair work is being pushed ahead rapidly. At Yokohama, some sixty houses collapsed and the last remaining wharf was destroyed. The railways suffered severe damage, and several trains are reported overturned.

The quake seems to have centered in Sagami Province, about 35 miles southwest of Tokio and is reported to have been an aftershock of the earthquake of September 1. In the Philippines, severe shocks were felt in Northern Luzon, but there is no report of damage or loss of life.

SILVER JUMPS WITH REPORT OF QUAKE IN JAPAN

Gold Bar Quotations Drop 7 Points During Day

Silver shot skyward in value yesterday, showing the biggest fluctuation in years, following receipt of word of the Japanese earthquake.

Following the opening of the market yesterday morning, gold bar quotations dropped steadily, until at the close they stood at a fraction over 306—the lowest point reached in two years. The closing quotation of the previous day was 313.60, the drop being over 7 points.

There was a tendency to firm up later in the day when reports began arriving to the effect that the damage done by the quake was not so severe as at first believed, and bank men were of opinion that there would be a further recovery today. The reason for the flurry is that settlements on gold bar transactions are generally made in yen.

First Votes Favor Bok Plan For Peace

(BY UNITED PRESS)

Philadelphia, Jan. 15—The first 50,000 votes received by the Edward Bok World Peace prize committee are ninety percent in favor of the prize-winning plan, according to announcement made here today by the committee.

Plan Recognition Of Athens Regime

(Exclusive China Press)

London, Jan. 15—The Daily Telegraph predicts that the present cabinet will grant recognition of the new Greek government before Baldwin resigns.

NORWAY WILL SEEK REPEAL OF 'DRY' LAWS

(Exclusive China Press)

London, Jan. 15—The speech from the Throne at the opening of the Norwegian Storthing today announced that the government will introduce a bill providing for the abolition of prohibition.

The speech recites that unemployment in Norway in 1923 was lowered to less than forty percent of the number of unemployed in 1922.

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Osaka, Jan. 15.—A serious earthquake occurred at 6.45 this morning around the Nagano prefecture. The center is supposed to have been Matsumoto.

It is said that the tremor was similar to the one on September 1. The damage is not known.

Tokio was affected by a strong tremor. All telephone lines are interrupted. Only two telegraph lines are working between Tokio and Osaka.

Nagoya was also affected by a strong tremor, while Osaka, Kyoto and Kobe felt a slight shock. No details are known.

Shocks Are Felt In Philippines

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Manila, Jan. 15.—An earthquake of intensity 4 occurred at six o'clock this morning in the Ilocos provinces. A milder shock was felt here at about five o'clock.

Tremor Centers In Sagami Province

(Eastern News Agency)

Tokio, Jan. 15.—According to an announcement published by the Central Meteorological Observatory, the tremor lasted about twelve minutes and the center of the earthquake was the northern part of Sagami Province about 35 miles to the Southwest of Tokio. The earthquake was the aftershock of the last great earthquake that swept all over the Kwanto districts on September 1, last year, but the intensity is less than half as compared with the last earthquake.

While very little damage has been done to the barracks erected on the sites of the recent fires, the Yamanote districts of Tokio City as well as surrounding districts have been more or less seriously affected.

Immediately following the outbreak of the earthquake, electric light went out and the panic-stricken citizens remained standing out of doors in the darkness till the sunrise. Though fires broke out at several places in the city, they were soon extinguished before they had a chance to spread.

The train service was suspended for a little while, but it was re-opened at 9 o'clock in the morning. The telephone service, excepting that under the management of the Aoyama Telephone Exchange Office, has not been affected. The telegraphic communication, though only partly was available at first, is being gradually re-opened. The particulars of the damage done to rural parts are unknown as yet but it is reported on good au-

thority that the shocks were not so serious as those felt in the district of Tokio. It appears that the railroads have been seriously damaged. Especially the damage done to the Tokaido line seems to be the most serious, for the portion of the line between Chigasaki and Hiratsuka has been badly demolished. On the line between Shimo-Totsuka and Ohmori, a train has derailed. The Tohoku line remain intact.

Heavy Shocks Are Felt At Nagoya

(Nihon Dempo)

Osaka, Jan. 15, 11:15 a.m.—Terrific earthquake shocks were felt at 5:45 o'clock this morning at Nagoya and some damage to property is reported. The pendulums of all clocks stopped.

In the neighborhood of Numadzu many houses and buildings collapsed. Reports of loss of life so far are lacking but it is accepted a number of persons have perished.

According to reports received by the Traffic Department of the Shidzuoka Railway Station the Imperial villa at Numadzu has not been damaged and both the Emperor and Empress who have been staying there are in safety.

The Meteorological Observatory of Osaka announces that the greatest earthquake width was 35.5 M.M. and the duration of the shock was fourteen minutes. The seismological center seems to lie somewhere off the Kishu Coast.

The Kobe Railway Bureau, by utilising its sole line available by way of the central provinces of Honshu obtained news from Tokio and according to this, while damages in the districts between Tokio and Kodzu comparatively are small, the district between Kodzu and Gotemba seem to have sustained extensive losses of both life and property.

All trains that were running in these districts have been wrecked or have come to a standstill.

Sixty Houses In Yokohama Collapse

(Nihon Dempo)

In Yokohama, 60 houses collapsed at the result of the violent quake of this morning, while all telephonic and telegraphic services in the city ceased functioning. The water-supply also stopped. Slides of stone-works occurred in several places. Both the great wharf and the custom-house quay gave way. In Asama-machi Street, fire is seen rising in the sky. Citizens, in the extremity of fear, are fleeing out of the city into suburban districts.

Tram service in Tokio has been resumed in the afternoon. Both interurban and railway cars between Tokio and Yokohama are running as usual.

Telegraph System Is Badly Crippled

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Tokio, Jan. 15.—The earthquake broke the railway between Hiratsuka and Chigasaki, interrupting communications between Tokio and Kobe.

The Kobe express was held up at Kodzu.

Telegraphic communications are badly crippled.

Residents Are Panic-Stricden

(Eastern News Agency)

Tokio, Jan. 15.—This morning at 6 o'clock, there occurred a severe earthquake in Tokio and surrounding districts. Communication services have been almost suspended. The citizens here were so panic-stricken that they immediately took refuge outdoors. The seismograph at the Central Meteorological Observatory has been destroyed. The seismic center is not known as yet. The damage done to houses in Tokio is not so great.

Many Casualties Are Reported

(Eastern News Agency)

Shanghai, Jan. 15.—An Osaka Mainichi special despatch to the Eastern News Agency reports that the details of the earthquake that have come to light up to the present are as follows:

"The telephone service throughout the city of Tokio is suspended. The train service east of Numadzu is also completely interrupted and many trains have overturned.

"It appears that there are many casualties.

"In Kofu City, the water mains have been destroyed. Their Majesties the Emperor and Empress, who are now staying in Numadzu, as well as the Prince Regent and Princess Nagako Kuni in Tokio are all safe.

"No damage has been done to the Imperial Palace. The center of the earthquake is reported to be somewhere in Nagano Prefecture."

Telegraph Service To Tokio Suspended

(Eastern New Agency)

Shanghai, Jan. 15.—The local Japanese Telegraph Office announces that owing to the earthquake that visited the districts east of Hakone early this morning, the telegraph communication between Shidzuoka and Tokio has been interrupted and that under the above circumstances, the Japanese Telegraph Office is compelled to cease despatching all telegrams for Tokio, Chiba, Kanagawa, and Saitama Prefectures pending the restoration of the communications.

Three Trains Are Reported Derailed

(Nihon Dempo)

Osaka, Jan. 15.—At 5.50 this morning, another great earthquake visited Kanto district, communications between Tokio and Osaka being totally interrupted. According to a report received by the Traffic Department of the Osaka Railway Bureau, No. 900 train and the first and second express train which left Kobe on the previous night have been derailed and are lying overturned in the vicinity of Gotemba.

In Osaka too a great earthquake was felt at 5.50 this morning.

Tokio Water Supply Is Partly Cut Off

(Eastern News Agency)

Shanghai, Jan. 15.—An Osaka Mainichi special despatch to the Eastern News Agency reports that the earthquake that occurred this morning at 5.45 o'clock in the region east of Hakone has interrupted the train service as well as telegraphic and telephone communications, that the water supply in Tokio City has been partly cut off and that the public mind is greatly agitated.

Fire Is Raging In Tokio Suburb

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Osaka, Jan. 15.—The Emperor and the Empress are at Numadzu.

The Prince Regent and Princess Nagako are reported to be safe.

A fire is raging in the Sugamo suburb of Tokio. No particulars are available.

One train was precipitated into the river at Banyugawa and six trains were overturned between Gotembe and Tokio.

Shocks Continue About One Hour

(Eastern News Agency)

Tokio, Jan. 15.—The earthquake that occurred this morning is some one-third in severity as compared with that of September 1 last year. The vibration lasted about one hour but owing to the fact that most of the citizens were still in bed at that time, they felt the shocks more strongly than otherwise. The telegraphic and telephone communications in Tokio and in the district along the Tokaido line east of Numadzu have been interrupted, but as the repair work is well under way, it is expected that they will soon be restored.

No Serious Damage In Tokio, Claim

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Osaka, Jan. 15.—News from Tokio says that no serious damage has been done by the earthquake.

Telephone and tramway services in Tokio City are suspended.

The water-supply is partially stopped.

No fire is reported.

The railways between Tokio and Numadzu are interrupted.

A goods train was derailed near Gotemba.

(Nihon Dempo)

It is reported from Takazaki, a city near Tokio, that the telephone service in the capital has been suspended, while the water supply is maintained though in limited quantity. Tram cars have so far been held from operation. Up to 6 o'clock in the morning, there has been no sign of the outbreak of fire in the city.

Japanese Legation Has No Reports

(BY UNITED PRESS)

Peking, Jan. 15.—The Japanese Legation here reports that it has been unable to get into communication with Osaka. At Tokio the extent of the damage done by the earthquake is therefore unknown to legation attaches.

Alsatian Mills To Make Out Bills In U. S. Currency

(Exclusive China Press)

Berlin, Jan. 15.—Owing to the continued fall in the French franc rate the Alsatian cotton mills will make out their bills in United States dollars.

ARROW COLLAR SALE
THIS WEEK
AT
SILBERMAN'S
52 Styles for Day and Dress Wear to be had in ½, ½ and ¾ Sizes
All Sizes and Styles one Price $5.00 per dozen
SILBERMAN'S,
Opposite Astor House.

TEXACO
MOTOR OIL
Easy Pour Can

2 Quart Size
On sale at
PARKE GARAGE,
198 N. Szechuen Rd.
Phone N. 3460

BACARDI
THE COCKTAIL RUM
AGENTS: SANDE, PRIOR & TRIAS

Israel Zangwill Returns To America

Israel Zangwill

Israel Zangwill, world-famous novelist, has returned to America, after an extended stay in Europe, where he is a leader in the Zionist movement.

FINE VAUDEVILLE ITEMS PLANNED FOR SHRINE SHOW

Well-known Local Amateurs To Appear Jan. 22

Five excellent vaudeville numbers will be presented by Nomad Oasis Shriners in their "Wonder Show of 1924" to be given at the Apollo Theater on the evening of Tuesday, January 22, in conjunction with the first showing in the Far East of the Universal film-success: "The Six-Fifty."

The first number on the vaudeville program will be a series of vocal numbers by Mrs. Lyle. This will be followed by "Georgette," a dance in which Mrs. Foster and Misses Limby, Noble and Berry will be seen. Mrs. O'Hara and Mr. Mena D. Silas will present their pleasing vaudeville entertainment and will be followed by Messrs. Mark A. Hanna, E. J. Bowen and W. G. Cameron. The finale will be "Smiles," a dancing feature of unusual excellence in which will be seen Mesdames Blix, Foster, Mancell, Misses Hamilton, Berry and Dunne.

The evening's program will be opened at 9:15 p.m., and will consume close to two and one-half hours. Admission will be by tickets costing $2 each, excepting those for the three boxes which will cost $15 for each box. These can be secured at the Robinson Piano Store in Nanking Road.

PARIS-LONDON RATE

(French Wireless through Reuter)

Paris, Jan. 15.—The Paris-London cross-rate is quoted today at: £1=96.115 francs.

AN APPEAL TO
BRITONS IN CHINA
100,000 DOLLARS
URGENTLY NEEDED
FOR
THE "ARETHUSA" TRAINING SHIP
2,600 OLD BOYS HAVE JOINED THE ROYAL NAVY, AND 6,500 THE MERCHANT SERVICE

Patrons:
THEIR MAJESTIES THE KING AND QUEEN
President:
H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF WALES
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Sen. Borah Demands Secret Documents On Soviet Inquiry

(BY UNITED PRESS)

Washington, Jan. 15—Senator William E. Borah of Utah introduced in the United States Senate today a resolution demanding that Secretary of State Charles E. Hughes produce before the Senate all of the unpublished reports of the six secret agents of the State department who have investigated the activities of the Soviet government since the revolution of 1917.

Dr. Schurman Is In Peking Again

(Eastern News Agency)

Peking, Jan. 14.—Dr. Jacob Gould Schurman, American Minister to Peking, returned here today from his inspection tour of South China. It is understood that in a day or two, a meeting of the Diplomatic Corps will be held in connection with the Gold Franc question.

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January 15th, 1924

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Result of Drawing

Reimbursements		Drawn by Bonds Numbered		
1 of $20,780	36348	Cumulative Progressive Reimbursement Drawn by Foreign Bondholders in Shanghai	equal to	$ 20,780
20 „ $ 2,000	258, 4171, 7345, 10028, 10873, 11011, 11652, 12764, 13512, 16088, 17892, 21138, 25676, 29487, 30067, 31645, 32862, 36594, 40510, 40729,		„ „	40,000
20 „ $ 300	3938, 4234, 4324, 7893, 9537, 11506, 12156, 12697, 13228, 18673, 21515, 29075, 29836, 31553, 32754, 34681, 37135, 38664, 38706, 39661,		„ „	6,000
20 „ $ 200	604, 4244, 6356, 6705, 9046, 9875, 10386, 13650, 15854, 17444, 21000, 21451, 21743, 22755, 30630, 32998, 33158, 36185, 40915, 41251,		„ „	4,000
20 „ $ 100	1646, 4812, 5031, 6603, 10105, 17984, 18997, 21777, 23152, 24396, 24443, 28309, 28961, 29024, 29693, 30308, 33520, 36444, 38352, 40457,		„ „	2,000
1 „ $ 1,560	34117,		„ „	1,560
1 „ $ 250	24729,		„ „	250
1 „ $ 150	9449,		„ „	150
1 „ $ 68	5127,		„ „	68
4150 of $ 12	Terminating with No. 0		„ „	49,872
4241	Reimbursements Totalling		„ „	124,680

CLERK GETS TERM OF 18 MONTHS FOR BANK THEFT

Woo Ching-nyi, alias Anthony H. Ng, 21-year-old clerk formerly employed by the Asia Banking Corporation, was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment by the Mixed Court yesterday for the theft of money, checks, drafts and other papers to the value of $10,000 from his former employers.

The theft took place last June but though suspicion fell upon Woo he was not arrested at that time and he was employed by the bank until August 1, when he was dismissed. He was arrested a week ago after a Chinese employe of the International Banking Corporation had picked up two note cases left in the bank, one containing travellers' checks which had been among the stolen property and other containing cards bearing the name of the accused.

The case was prosecuted for the bank by Mr. Chalaire, Mr. Browne appearing for the accused, and was heard by Assessor Jacobs and Magistrate Loh.

The first witness called was Mr. R. G. Fairfield, who testified that he had placed the cash box in the vault at 12:30 p.m. on the day of the theft and found it missing when he returned at 2 o'clock. The box contained various checks, drafts and Mexican and gold currency. The travellers' checks were as good as money. He identified five such checks introduced in evidence. They had been blank when stolen. The accused was suspected because he went to tiffin unusually late that day.

Mr. H. E. Heinzerling testified that the accused was in his department, the cable department, and that his desk was in such a position that he could not help seeing anyone who entered the vault. The handwriting on the checks was the same as that of the accused, with which he was familiar. He stated that the accused had been dismissed for lying. Further testimony was given by Mr. J. Kieffel, accountant in the Asia Bank.

Detective Sub-Inspector Hunter said that the checks found at the International were turned over to him by Mr. Kieffel and that after the accused had been arrested he went to the latter's home at 3 Jukong Road and there found a slip of paper bearing a list of the numbers of these checks. The accused admitted having written down the numbers and further admitted filling out the checks.

The accused, in the witness box submitted a novel defense. Last April, he said, a friend had introduced him to a man named "Chang," who claimed to be canteen steward on H. M. S. Hawkins. He met this man later several times, and in November was asked by him to secure some money. He had no security but produced the blank traveller's checks, which he said were "specimens" and suggested that they might be filled in by witness and post-dated to serve as securities against loans. Witness said he filled in the checks, using the name "James A. Yoong," and borrowed two sums, $30 and $20, from friends, which he turned over to Chang. He did not, however, give up the checks. Assused at first said he knew the checks must have been stolen and later that if he had known them to be stolen he would not have filled them out.

In summing up Mr. Chalaire asked a severe sentence, declaring that the accused had not only betrayed the trust of his employers but had brought suspicion upon a number of innocent fellow-employes. Moreover, he refused to give any information regarding the other papers stolen, which were valueless to anyone except the bank.

Admiral Scott Survives Illness

(Reuter's Service)

Malta, Jan. 14.—Admiral Sir Percy Scott, who was seriously ill in hospital at Bighi, has recovered.

Husband And Wife Win Honors At Same College

Mr & Mrs Richard W Sudds

Instead of leaving his wife behind when he entered Penn State College, Richard W. Sudds, of Butler, Pa., took her along. It proved a wise move, for both have won honors. The husband stood at the head of the present junior class, with an average of 91.7 percent, while the wife stands 15th in a class of more than 900. Both have been awarded Honor Society Council medals for the excellence of their work.

Inquiry On Germany Started By Experts

(Continued from Page 1)

ate, if they wish to break away from Germany, have machinery in the Weimar Constitution whereby only a one-third vote is necessary for holding a plebiscite in that connection.

(Reuter's Service)

Paris, Jan. 14.—It is understood that M. Tirard, the President of the Inter-Allied High Commission, has chosen his secretary, M. Filliol, to accompany Mr. Clive and has also asked Lieutenant-Colonel Richier to proceed to Cologne to enquire with regard to secret organisations whose activities, the French allege, led to bloodshed in the French zone, particularly in the Bonn district.

(French Wireless through Reuter)

The president of the Reparations Commission, M. Barthou, speaking at the installation of the committee of experts, defined their role as follows:

"We do not expect from you the miracle of an unforeseen solution of the reparations problem but we hope with sincere confidence that your competence, your experience and your authority will contribute to hasten a result to which we shall apply our efforts. The Treaty of Versailles is our charter; it is yours. Within its scope, in conformity with Article 234, you will pursue your labors with full independence and high impartiality. You will be masters of your method of work.

"Germany receives from the treaty the just right of making herself heard. You will hear her in the form which appears to you the most useful and we sincerely hope in the common interest that her Government and administration will facilitate your task which is so arduous and complex. It is necessary to come to a final decision.

"The creditors of Germany and Germany herself are not the only parties interested in the settlement of reparations. It is not too much to say that the pacific equilibrium of the whole world depends upon it.

General Dawes, the president of the committee, then made a long speech recalling the memory of Allied co-operation in the war and then proceeding to an examination of the present economic difficulties. He declared: "The more I speak with those who are in the most immediate contact with the situation, the more I understand how wisely the Reparations Commission has acted in defining the object of our being called together. In conformity with Article 234 of the Treaty of Versailles on the resources and capacity of payment of Germany we are charged with studying means of balancing her budget and the measures to be taken to stabilise her currency." The American expert concluded: "The first measure which we must take would be, it seems to me the establishment of a system to stabilize German currency so as to find water to turn the Budget mill."

The Temps, commenting on the allusion made in General Dawe's speech to the cessation of Allied co-operation, writes: "General Dawes can have no suspicion of the depth or intensity of the regrets which he awakens in all Frenchmen by comparing thus the disunion after the war to the union which made for strength and victory."

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Yunnanese Fight Each Other In Dispute Between Commanders

(Eastern News Agency)

Canton, Jan. 14.—Owing to the fact that General Wang Ping-chun, commander of the 4th Division of the Third Yunnanese Army, has been dismissed on the ground that he had communicated secretly to the enemy, the followers of General Wang Ping-chun strongly demanded General Chuang Kuang-liang, commander-in-chief of the Third Yunnanese Army, to make public the truth of General Wang communicating to the enemy and the revenues of the Canton-Samsui Railway.

On the night of the 11th instant, skirmishes took place in the district of Shiweitung between the troops under General Wang Ping-chun and those under General Chuang Kuang-liang with the consequence that there were many casualties on both sides and that the Administrative Office of the Canton-Samsui Railway, where the headquarters of the Yunnanese Third Army had been established, were burned down.

The two contending troops are now holding their own against each other. The above fact reveals the internal discord among Yunnanese troops. Inasmuch as General Fan Shi-ching is now mediating between the two belligerent forces, it is generally observed that the affair indicated will not assume any further serious aspect.

American To Act On Memel Tribunal

(Reuter's Service)

Geneva, Jan. 14.—Mr. Norman Davis, former Acting Secretary of State of the United States, has notified the League of Nations of his willingness to accept the presidency of the Memel Commission, which will investigate means to terminate the difficulties among the Allied Powers and Lithuania as regards the Memel territories.

Campbell Given Another Chance In British Court

After he had been found guilty of obtaining a suit and overcoat from Henry The Tailor and one night's lodging from the Kalee Hotel by false pretenses Richard William Campbell was given another chance by Magistrate King in the British Police Court yesterday.

Campbell declared that he had no intention of never paying for either the clothing or the lodging, but said that he did not have the money now. The clothes, he said, were on board the Hakone Maru.

Mr. E. T. Maitland, the police prosecutor, said that while Campbell had no criminal record he was considered undesirable by the British Consular authorities. Magistrate King, in finding Campbell guilty, said that because of the easy credit terms prevalent in Shanghai it was difficult to draw a close line between civil and criminal actions on a debt. Campbell was found guilty and may come up for sentence anytime within the next year.

Hearst Delegation Urges Resumption Of Soviet Trade

(Exclusive China Press)

Washington, Jan. 15.—The delegation sent to Russia this summer by William Randolph Hearst, the newspaper publisher, and which comprised amongst others Senators Ladd of North Dakota and King of Utah, after two months of investigation in Russia has issued a statement urging the United States to resume at once commercial relations with the Soviet government.

MURDERERS OF MISSIONARIES TO FACE TRIAL

Slayers Of Revs. Whiteside And Watt Brought To Chengtu

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Chengtu, Dec. 29.—Governor Liu Yu-chiu, after long continued pressure brought to bear by the British Consul-General, Mr. G. A. Combe, has at length had the rest of the criminals concerned in the murder of the two missionaries, the Rev. F. J. Watt and the Rev. F. R. Whiteside, brought to Chengtu for trial. They arrived on December 26.

General Yang Sen having recaptured Chungking is pursuing the routed Szechuanese armies and has reached a point 200 li from Chengtu. The Director-General of the Szechuanese Armies, General Tan Mou-hsin, has just arrived in Chengtu from Chungking. General Hsiung Keh-wu is reported to have fled: at any rate he has not been seen for some days.

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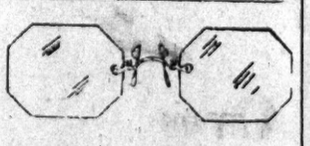

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SPARKLING PLAY TO BE PRODUCED AT FRENCH CLUB

"All-of-a-Sudden-Peggy" Has First Performance Jan. 26

"All of a Sudden Peggy," the delightful comedy by Mr. Ernest Denny, will be put on at the French Club on Saturday and Monday, January 26 and 28 respectively, booking at the French Club, for the benefit of members and their friends only, and on Thursday, January 31, for the general public, for whom arrangements have been made for booking at Moutrie's.

The author of this play, must have been in a very whimsical frame of mind when he wrote some of the delightful lines which it contains. It is an outstanding example of sparkling wit and humor at its best, and as the play has been very well cast it can safely be said that the public has in store a most delightful evening's entertainment. The play is being produced by Mr. Lewis H. Rawson, who was responsible for the very successful show at the French Club last season, "Mr. Greedy and the Countess," and rehearsals are in full swing under the guidance of this capable and experienced director.

Mrs. Lewis H. Rawson is playing in the title role, "Peggy," and it will be interesting to Shanghai theater-goers to see how she handles a part entirely different to those with which she has made her name in previous amateur productions. Judging from rehearsals, the audiences will discover remarkable versatility in this talented lady.

Mr. H. J. Collar is playing opposite to Mrs. Rawson in the part of "Jimmy," and even in these early stages of rehearsal, shows a perfect understanding of and sympathy with the part.

The rest of the cast are doing very well and we will have something to say about them later on. It is assured, however, that everybody who goes to see this performance will have a very enjoyable time.

Fancy Dress Balls At Cercle Sportif During Next Month

The committee of the Cercle Sportif Francais announces that a Children's Fancy Dress Dance will be held at the club house on Friday, February 1, from 4 to 7 p.m. Members' children accompanied by their parents are cordially invited and the invitation is also extended to these children's friends.

On February 16 the Club will hold its first Oriental Ball—"Tout l'Islam." Admission will only be granted to those disguised in Islamic dresses, such as those of Turks, Egyptians, Arabs, Mussulmans, etc. By exception gentlemen will be admitted in full evening dress covered with a "burnous" and masked. Ladies will only be admitted wearing a "chaik," or Turkish veil. There will be a "march past" at midnight and prizes will be given for the best costumes and best groups. Tickets may be had through members only and applications should be sent to the honorary secretary by, or before February 14.

Price Levels

(Continued from Page 1)

economic events to reassert their periodicity.

An indication of the difficulties that this Bureau of Markets has had to contend with is stated in its own naive form in the report: "We have hitherto in accordance with the common method of most index numbers adopted the simple arithmetic method in our calculation. At first we were compelled to use the average prices in September, 1919 as our base. With the outbreak of the European War most noted index numbers of prices have changed to use 1913 as the basic year. Thus, in the summer of 1921, we started to investigate the prices in 1913 of those commodities contained in our table. Unfortunately, we are only able to find so far the prices in the early part of February of 1913. Since 1922 we began to use the pre-war price as the base in our index number. The conversion of the whole index number in every part month has now been accomplished also."

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News Brevities

The annual meeting of the Moral Welfare League will be held in the hall of the Royal Asiatic Society at 5:30 o'clock this afternoon. The Rev. C. M. Drury will preside. A general invitation is extended.

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The annual general meeting of St. Patrick's Society will be held in the Palace Hotel on January 29. All Irishmen are cordially invited to attend.

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Ethel Clayton in "Can A Woman Love Twice?" will be shown at the Apollo Theater beginning tonight.

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Mrs. Hugo Reiss, who has been on an extended visit in Europe and the United States, returned to Shanghai last night on the President Wilson from San Francisco.

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Thomas Cook & Son have received a cable from the Cunard Steamship Company informing them that the steamers Carmania and Caronia between Quebec and Liverpool have been converted into cabin and third class ships, the second class accomodation having been eliminated and the minimum rate for a berth in the cabin class has been reduced to G. $130.

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The American Company, S. V. C., will hold its annual company meeting on January 24.

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Mr. E. C. Wood of the Tobacco Products Company has just enlisted in the American Company, S. V. C.

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Mrs. J. J. Keegan and her two sons are leaving Shanghai for New York on the President Madison on January 20.

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Captain A. E. N. Howard, prominent British resident of Tientsin, and Mrs. Howard, have arrived in Shanghai en route to England. They will sail for Colombo on the s.s. Sicilia.

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Mr. R. T. McDonnell has been elected president of the American Chamber of Commerce of Tientsin. Other officers elected were vice presidents Mr. F. F. Spielman and Mr. C. J. Donnell, treasurer, Mr. O. C. Hansen, secretary, Mr. C. Seymour.

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Plans are being formulated by the local Japanese community to hold an appropriate celebration in honor of the wedding of the Prince Regent. A committee will be formed to be headed by the Consul-General, Mr. Yada.

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Charging Kan Yu-wei, the monarchist, with the larceny of Buddhist literature belonging to the Wulung Temple of Shensi, Mr. Hsu Lan-sih, a leading Shensi resident of Shanghai, yesterday telegraphed to Governor Liu Tseng-hua of Sianfu, asking for the arrest and trial of the monarchist who is alleged to have seized the books for his own use.

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The annual general meeting of the Y. W. C. A. will be held at its Range Road headquarters Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock when the election of officers for the ensuing year will take place.

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Tai Tien-chu, Yu Yu-jen and Hsia Chi, Chekiang members of the Kuomingtang party will sail for Hongkong on the Empress of Russia to attend the National Conference of the party, beginning Sunday in Canton.

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Three Chinese, two men and a woman, appeared in the Mixed Court yesterday charged with operating a three-room opium smoking establishment at 26 Hsiang Fun Loong. One of the men was sentenced to two months' imprisonment and the others to one month each, while 11 smokers were fined $3 each. Operators of dens at 295 Kiukiang Road, 132 Purdon Road and 40 Kuling Road were sentenced to one month's imprisonment, two weeks' imprisonment and one month or $50 fine respectively.

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For storing ten cases of matches,—which is four more than permissible under the Municipal regulations—in premises at 244 North Chekiang Road, a shopkeeper was fined $10 in the Mixed Court yesterday.

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Chu Hsiao-hou, the shopkeeper who was shot accidentally by a Chapei constable, died in the Chi Sung Hospital, Chapei, yesterday morning. The constable has been held without bail pending a public trial.

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Documents, title deeds and seals belonging to the Chapei Water and Electric Works were handed over to the Provincial Commission headed by Mr. Chang Yi-pang yesterday by Director Feng. The retrocession settles a long dispute between the Kiangsu Provincial authorities and the public organisations in Chapei and was made possible through the mediation of General Ho Feng-lin, the Defence Commissioner.

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For stealing 13 pairs of silk stockings from G. Hobtorisansky, 770 Broadway, and a pair of earrings belonging to Mrs. Coruka, of the same address, Peretz Swantzvall, unemployed Russian, was sentenced to two months' imprisonment by the Mixed Court yesterday.

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The Hon. Percy and Mrs. Thellusson, who are making a tour of the Far East, have returned from a visit in Peking and are registered at the Astor House Hotel.

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Three Danes, members of the crew of the s.s. Malaya, have been arrested in Hongkong charged with being in possession of revolvers and ammunition. All three pleaded guilty when brought up in court. Sentence was reserved.

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A Chinese, found guilty by the Hongkong court of being in possession of two daggers, has just been sentenced to six years in jail at hard labor and 12 strokes of the "cat."

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H. M. S. Hawkins is now in Kowloon docks.

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The Commissioner of Foreign Affairs in Kwangtung has telegraphed to colleagues in Hankow and Shanghai instructing them not to issue any more *kuchiao* (permits) to Russians who desire to proceed to Canton as there is not enough space in that city to accommodate them nor enough money for their upkeep.

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Ilga Stastzett, Russian, was fined $3, with the alternative of three days in jail, by the Mixed Court yesterday for being drunk and disorderly on Broadway early yesterday morning.

$180,000 Pledged For Dredging Of Soochow Creek

The Silk Guild has pledged the sum of $10,000 towards the expenses for the dredging of the Soochow Creek, which requires $600,000, according to official estimates. The Kiangsu Provincial authorities will advance half of the sum, while the remainder will be subscribed by the commercial bodies. Up to the present the organisations have pledged a total of $180,000

Japanese Sailor Robbed Of 90 Yen

A Japanese seamen on the s.s. Shanghai Maru, named K. Shiwaya, reported to the police yesterday that while he was walking in an alleyway off Yangtzsepoo Road at about 1:30 o'clock yesterday morning he was set upon by a number of Chinese ruffians and robbed of 90 yen and a felt hat. The thieves all escaped.

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ENGINEERS' CUP GAME NETS FINE SUM FOR CHARITY

St. Luke's Gets $2,200 As Result Of Boxing Day Match

This season's annual match for the Marine Engineers' Charity Cup, played on Boxing Day between the team from H.M.S. Durban and the Shanghai Interport Probables, broke all records in the history of the trophy so far as the financial result was concerned, besides providing local football followers with a game which is considered to have been one of the best ever played in Shanghai.

After deducting all expenses in connection with the match, the handsome sum of $2,200 remained, and the whole of this sum has been handed to St. Luke's Hospital, this season's beneficiary.

No small measure of credit for the splendid result obtained is due Mr. John Prentice, the popular President of the Shanghai Football Association, for he alone disposed of tickets to the aggregate value of about $1,250, a sum considerably more than half of the total gate receipts. Since the trophy was first put up for competition in 1909, Mr. Prentice has displayed a never-failing interest in the financial outcome; in fact it is safe to say that without his co-operation and interest the total sum raised must have been appreciably less.

During the fifteen seasons that the competition has been held, $18,280 has been raised for the benefit of local institutions, those that benefit being, in turn, the General Hospital, the Door of Hope, the Shantung Road Hospital and St. Luke's Hospital. The total is made up as follows:

1909 General Hospital	$460
1910 Door of Hope	634
(Replay) 1910 Shantung Road Hospital	730
1911 St. Luke's Hospital	700
1912 General Hospital	873
1913 Door of Hope	716
1914 Shantung Road Hospital	1,000
1915 St. Luke's Hospital	1,169
1916 General Hospital	800
1917 Door of Hope	858
1918 Shantung Road Hospital	1,200
1919 St. Luke's Hospital	1,600
1920 General Hospital	1,600
1921 Door of Hope	1,650
1922 Shantung Road Hospital	2,100
1923 St. Luke's Hospital	2,200
Total	$18,280

The institutions named have benefited individually as follows:

St. Luke's Hospital, $5,669; Shantung Road Hospital, $5,030; Door of Hope, $3,858; General Hospital, $3,723.

Next season's beneficiary is the General Hospital.

In publishing the following letter of acknowledgement and statement of accounts the Committee responsible for the Cup and matches desires to express its appreciation of those whose efforts helped to make the match a success, to the team from H.M.S. Durban, to the Shanghai team, and to those members of the general public who turned up in such large numbers.

Marine Engineers Charity Football Cup match played on December 26, 1923, Statement of accounts.

RECEIPTS

To Gate Receipts and Sale of Tickets	$2,391.00

EXPENDITURE

Printing Tickets and Posters	$35.50
Tea Tent	34.00
Coolie Hire	10.00
Silver Shields	10.50
Presentation Photos to Durban team	11.00
Cash paid to St. Luke's Hospital	2,200.00
Total	$2,301.00

W. S. Campbell,
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The Hon. Secretary,
Marine Engineers' Charity Cup.

Dear Sir,

I have to thank you for your letter informing us of the amount realised from the Annual Football Match which took place on Boxing Day between the Shanghai Interport Probables and H.M.S. Durban.

I am sure you know how very grateful we are to you all for your generosity in giving to this hospital this year the proceeds of this game. We are always glad to receive any gifts which make it possible for us to give free relief to the sick and injured of this community. We will, of course, make every effort to use this money where it will do the greatest good.

Thanking you and your Committee and also those who composed the teams,

I am, etc.,
John H. Snoke, M.D.,
Superintendent.

Natural History

By Westa

LAST night at the dinner table somebody mentioned a description by Eleanor Franklin Egan of a battle between a cobra and a mongoose in India, whereupon Carl Crow, who is without doubt the most profound ornithologist and serpentinian that ever came out of Texas, launched into a learned and enlightening discourse upon the habits of diamond backs (*crotalus adamanteus*) and road runners (*Geococcyx californianus*) that made his fortunate listeners feel as the faithful in Florence must have felt under the spell of Savonarola's oratory.

"The diamond backed rattlesnake (Carl speaking) is now and always has been the victim of more malignant misrepresentation than any living creature; despised not only by mankind but by fellow denizens of his natural habitat as well, beasts, birds and insects.

"And why? For no reason in the world except the fact that the rattler, than whom there really is no better neighbor or sportsman, as proven by the well established truths that he asks only to be let alone and that he serves fair warning upon violators of his code before resorting to his only equivalent of an appeal to the house committee for an adjustment of his grievances is, as I say, the helpless victim of a propaganda that has made him an undeserved pariah—a perfect example of a fine, well meaning fellow transformed into a social leper by scandal mongering tongues whetted to a quivering edge on the devil's own grindstone.

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"THE rattlesnake (Carl still speaking and getting madder every minute) was endowed by nature with a very tender and sensitive skin. It may not be a skin that you or I would love to touch, but you may rest assured that any aversion we may have to touching it is not a marker to the rattler's aversion to having it touched. In substantiation of this I might tell you that the Texas cow punchers learned long ago that they could sleep on the ground with perfect safety, like Stuart's cavalrymen—

Their heads in saddles propped,
Their coverlet the sky,

provided they slept within a circle formed by their lariats; a barrier sufficient to halt, as effectively as a stone wall, such diamond backs as inadvertently and with no evil intent might wriggle into the vicinity.

* * *

BACK in Texas (Carl's narrative continued) there's a gangling, long legged, no account bird known as a road runner and this bird, being a victim of the anti-rattlesnake propaganda, spends practically its entire time in concocting schemes to torment the diamond backs, and for no reason whatever.

"This bird discovered, probably from seeing the cowboys asleep on the ground with rope circles around them, that the rattlesnake was very sensitive about its complexion, and from that day to this the road runners in that country have made it their chief concern in life to keep the diamond backs in a constant state of cutaneous discontent; and the tricks to which they resort in the furtherance of that unworthy endeavor, if they could be classified and catalogued, would make material for a volume as absorbing as one of Henri Fabre's.

* * *

A favorite trick of the road runner is to skulk around on his long legs until he finds a diamond back asleep, whereupon he hurriedly gathers up a lot of cactus thorns and builds a sort of fence completely around the rattler. The road runner then waits around until the diamond back wakes up, whereupon he proceeds to make faces and call names that no self respecting rattlesnake would tolerate for a minute. To vent his anger the rattler coils and strikes, but he never hits anything but the empty air, as the road runner is careful to keep well out of reach. And then is when the real devilishness of the bird's strategy becomes apparent, for no sooner does the rattler come down on the cactus thorns with his sensitive skin than he forgets his anger; forgets everything in fact except his feverish determination to get back into the circle, where the thorns can't scratch him. And while he is thus helpless and confused the cowardly road runner darts in and gives him a vicious peck on the head.

* * *

"This process continues for hours—sometimes for days—until at last the poor diamond back's complexion is absolutely ruined by the cactus thorns, while all the time the heartless road runner just stands there chortling with fiendish glee at the rattler's misery. Cases have been known——"

* * *

"BUT why does the road runner go to all this trouble?" somebody asked.

"No reason at all," Carl replied. "He does it because he just naturally takes pleasure in tormenting the poor rattlesnake."

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DE BECK 10-11

California Governor Champion Horseshoe Pitcher

Governor Friend W. Richards on, of California, is said to have made a lot of political enemies th roughout his State, but friend and foe alike are in accord that he is the champion horseshoe pitcher of California.

Italian Opera Company

Puccini's charming and poignantly tragic opera "Madame Butterfly" gave pleasure to a well-filled house at the Lyceum last night and thereby the Italian Grand Opera Company found still further favor with local music lovers.

As Cho-Cho-San Mme. Ambroso's voice was never heard to better advantage here. She was superb and at the close of every act was enthusiastically applauded. The part of Pinkerton was in the able hands of Mr. Giletta, whose voice has won him high regard among the opera patrons this season, and the other roles were very adequately filled.

The settings were for the most part charming and in keeping with the piece and there was every evidence that the large audience thoroughly enjoyed the production.

Tonight the Company is to sing "Lucia di Lammermoor" and tomorrow night "Carmen." "Manon" follows on Friday night and the present engagement ends with "La Boheme" Saturday evening.

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Yourly Yourloff, whirlwind Russian dancer, with his new partner, have been putting on some new and fascinating numbers and the "Human Frogs" have been receiving their share of applause for their extraordinary contortionist accomplishments.

Manager Al Israel is leaving for the States tonight by the President Wilson to enlist new entertainment talent for the Del Monte and promises to bring back the best cafe show ever seen in Shanghai, with a ballet of high class American dancers and several top-notch singers.

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New South Wales Winner At Cricket

(*Reuter's Service*)

Sydney, Jan. 14.—New South Wales beat South Australia at cricket today by an innings and 104 runs.

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PRES. WILSON TAKES AMERICAN MAIL TOMORROW

Mail From Europe Comes Today On Morea

American mail will leave on the President Wilson at daybreak tomorrow, and arrives on the President McKinley tomorrow morning. The Empress of Russia arrived at Woosung from Vancouver yesterday afternoon, and is to sail for Hongkong early this afternoon. The tender with outgoing passengers for the Russia leaves the Customs jetty at 11:30 o'clock this morning.

The Wilson, which arrived at Woosung from Hongkong last evening, is to come up the river and berthing at the Blue Funnel lower buoys at daylight today. The first tender with passengers for the vessel will leave the Customs jetty at midnight tonight, and for the convenience of passengers, tenders will leave the ship at 8:30 a.m., 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., and from the Customs jetty at noon and 5 p.m. today. Mail closes at 9 p.m.

With 1,513 sacks of mail, the McKinley will arrive in Shanghai from Seattle and Japan ports at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, and docks at the China Merchants' Central Wharf. The liner will leave for Hongkong and Manila at 7 o'clock Friday morning.

Mail for Europe is to go on the M.M. steamer Andre Lebon next Friday, and the next mail from Europe arrives on the P. and O. liner Morea this morning. The Morea will dock at the Hongkew Wharf.

The Lebon is due in Shanghai from Kobe this morning, and sails for Marseilles at 10 o'clock Friday morning. The tender with passengers for the vessel will leave the French Mail jetty at 8 a.m. Friday and heavy baggage should be delivered to the Company's office before noon tomorrow.

BROTHER OF BOY EMPEROR TAKES BRIDE

Brilliant Ceremonies Staged At Marriage Of Young Manchu Prince

Peking, Jan. 12.—A very important and impressive wedding was celebrated this afternoon when the young Prince Chun, brother of the Manchu Emperor Hsuan Tung, took as his wife the daughter of Mr. Sze Chi, the Tutung of the Blue Manchu Banner Corps.

At the reception held yesterday and this morning at the home of the bride, there was a great number of the old Manchu families in full costume, the men with their official robes of office, fur lined and highly embroidered, topped with the "button," accompanied by ladies in their gorgeously embroidered coats and great head dresses decked with flowers.

Shortly after two the escorting procession came with the chair to take the bride to the home of Prince Chun in the northeast part of the city. The bride and bridegroom are each sixteen years old, according to the foreign reckoning, he being the younger brother of the Manchu Emperor, who is a year or so older. His presents to the bride were particularly magnificent.

Squadron To See Warship Scrapped

(Reuter's Service)

Melbourne, Jan. 14.—The British special service squadron and the warships of the Australian fleet will witness the spectacular sinking of the battleship Australia outside Sydney Heads on Anzac Day, April 25. The scrapping is in accordance with the Washington Agreement.

Fifteen Injured In Theater Crash

(Exclusive China Press)

Barcelona, Jan. 15.—Fifteen persons were injured here today when part of the balcony of the Apollo Theater collapsed, precipitating scores of spectators to the ground floor of the building.

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Military Authorities Suppress Bandit Activities Evidence

Publication of a picture of the wrecked Blue Express train, derailed by the Shantung bandits in their raid of May 6 last, in the current issue of Asia Magazine, reveals that the Chinese military authorities are attempting to suppress all such photographs.

An enterprising Chinese photographer at Tsinanfu took a number of pictures of the wreck immediately after it occured and several of his photographs have since been reproduced in various periodicals. The military authorities at Tsinanfu, learning of the pictures, raided the shop a short time ago, destroyed all the plates, and put the photographer under perpetual bond not to distribute any more of the photographs.

The militarists evidently took a page from the book of ethics of the Japanese authorities who use such suppression measures frequently in Japan, even to the extent of suppressing issues of the foreign newspapers, the Japan Chronicle being the chief sufferer.

Tsao Sends Gifts To Prince Regent

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Peking, Jan. 15.—The President's representative, Mr. Li Tien-chang, has left for Tokio with gifts for the Prince Regent on the occasion of his wedding. The gifts include a pair of cloisonne vases, lacquer ornaments, rich brocades and rugs.

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(Reuter's Service)

London, Jan. 14.—The Association of British Chambers of Commerce has sent letters to Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Asquith and Mr. Ramsay Macdonald expressing grave concern with regard to any delay in ratification of the economic and financial arrangements made by the Imperial Conference. The Association believes that the resolutions of the Conference, if carried into effect, will assist the development of the trade of the Empire, and the relief of unemployment at home and therefore hopes that the addresses will assist in the ratification of the arrangements reached at the Conference.

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ART DEPARTMENT IN FINE PROGRAM AT WOMAN'S CLUB

Two highly interesting addresses—one on art world figures of Paris during pre-war days and the other dealing with the "batik" workers of Java—were enjoyed by members of the American Woman's Club at yesterday's meeting.

Speaking on "Reminiscences of Artists of Note," Miss Lucille Douglass recalled in delightful vein a number of amusing anecdotes of the Latin Quarter and ateliers of the French capital in days before the war. Artists such as Claggett Wilson, who won such American fame with his war pictures; John Quincy Adams, court painter at Vienna; Frank Brangwyn, noted British landscape painter, and others of equal calibre were treated in interesting vein by the speaker. She remarked, for instance, that she recalled Robert Henri, the portrait painter, only by his wife, for the reason that she always smoked two cigarettes at once and wore red-heeled slippers.

The speakers' platform at yesterday's meeting was backed by a fine display of batik hangings, which played a part in the demonstration on "Practical Batik" given by Mrs. S. R. Clement, who is a deep student of the art. She began her talk with a short and instructive history and description of the processes of batik, followed by a fascinating demonstration of the actual work of designing, waxing, dyeing and finishing a piece of batik.

"Batik, the native art of Java, is considered by the Javanese to be a mystery, a religion and an art," Mrs. Clement said. "The process is handed down from one generation to the next. Though considered to be Javanese, batik work has been discovered in Bokhara and the Pyramids. From China has come one rare piece of a wonderful blue, done in the eighth century."

Yesterday's general meeting was in charge of the Art Department and Mrs. Joseph Mann, chairman of the department, announced that an exhibition of paintings by members would be held in the club rooms on March 4. The Russian teacher of drawing will give three other Tuesday mornings for members who wish instruction. "Period Furnishings" will be the subject of the next regular meeting of the Department and Mrs. A. H. Swan will read a paper.

The Music Department announces that the afternoon of Scandanavian music will take place January 30, instead of January 29, at 4.30 p.m. The Library Department is to meet February 1 at 4.15 and the Gardening Department on Wednesday, January 30.

Arrangements for the presentation of "The Family Album," it was announced, are rapidly being completed and tickets may be secured at Moutrie's and at the Olympic Theater.

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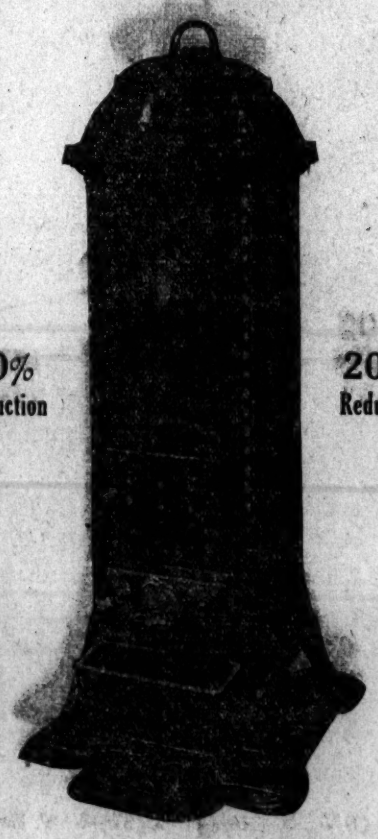
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LABOR UNMOVED IN DECISION TO FORM CABINET

Split In Parliament Looked For On Monday When Debate Starts

(Reuter's service)

London, Jan. 14.—The threat of mining trouble and the possibility of a railway strike are agitating Labor quarters but have not altered the decision of the Labor leaders to take office as soon as possible nor caused the Liberal leaders to reconsider their determination to assist in the defeat of the Government.

It is now anticipated that the fateful division will be on Monday owing to the eagerness of Members to participate in the debate.

(Reuter's Service)

London, Jan 14—Mr. Scott Duckers, who was a prominent "conscientious objector" in the war, in the course of a speech in London today said that the Labor foreign policy was settled. No more money would be voted for Singapore. The policy of the Labor Government would include exaction of the fullest possible reparations from Germany, and the establishment of a powerful Navy, a well-paid and efficient Army, and, failing a satisfactory understanding with France, a largely increased Air Force.

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The Sign Of The Year: The Rat

Some Curious Japanese Stories

As the reader is no doubt aware, the Chinese, and after them the Japanese, have the cumbrous and troublesome way of designating each succeeding year by one sign each included in two series of signs, known respectively as the "ten calendar signs" and the twelve signs of the zodiac. Sixty being the least common multiple of ten and twelve, we have cycles of sixty years each says the Japan Chronicle. This method gives an indication (to the initiated) as to what part of a cycle a certain year is placed in, but none at all as to the whereabouts, or rather whenabout, of the cycle itself. Today is the first of the first year of a new cycle designated by the first signs of the double series, Ko-shi or Ki no e ne (Wood-Elder-Brother-Rat). For calendar purposes, it is like the beginning of a new century, but apparently nothing specifically auspicious attaches to the year. Indeed, some cynics may perhaps declare: After the Boar, the sign of the last year, played such sad pranks, nothing good can be expected of the year of vermin! But that is by no means a view which Japanese legend supports. Mice are popularly regarded as messengers of Daikoku, one of the seven gods of luck, the gentleman who is represented in painting and sculpture sitting on a couple of rice bales and carrying a big bag on his back. White mice are particularly lucky. Hence the use of the word shironezumi (white mouse) to denote a faithful and valuable servant. There is even an old haiku in which the cherry-flowers of Ueno are referred to as the "white mouse" of the sake shops in the neighborhood. There was once a girl of the name of Kozarashi in the Hishi-ya, a Yoshiwara brothel, and she was so valuable to her employer that she won the reputation of being the "white mouse" of the house.

NICKNAMES

By its agility and quickness of motion, the mouse or rat has afforded a nickname to many a notability. It is still fresh in the memory of the public that the late Marquis Komura of Portsmouth Peace fame went by the name of "Mouse Minister" in his Peking days. But by far the most notable personage named after this animal was a notorious thief who is known to every child by the name of Nezumi Kozo ("Mouse Imp"). He was in his 36th year when he was executed at Suzugamori, the well-known execution ground near Yedo, in 1832, after fifteen years' remarkable activity in relieving noblemen and feudal lords of silver and gold. He would never touch anything else, and the silver and gold he stole were lavishly expended by him for the relief of the poor and distressed. On this account he was exceedingly popular, and when he was taken round the streets of Yedo before execution, according to the custom of the day, such crowds lined the road to see him pass that it is recorded that all the way from Demma-cho to Nihonbashi was packed to overflowing.

The western belief that rats desert a house that is going to fall down has many counterparts in Japanese legends. In a book entitled Shotei Mampitsu, we note: One year there was a big fire in Yedo and many houses were destroyed. Two or three days before the disaster swarms of mice and rats were seen swimming across the Sumida to Honjo (where there was no fire) under cover of night. According to an eye-witness, who happened to see them in the act, thousands and thousands of mice were in the river, so that the whole stream was black. When this fact was mentioned to a learned person, he knitted his brows and remarked that he was afraid that there would be some natural calamity—probably a big fire—in the near future. Explaining the grounds of his view, the scholar added that in the first year of Taikwa (645), in the reign of the Emperor Kutoku, the capital had been removed from Yamato to Toiosaki in Nagaye (Settsu province) and in anticipation of the event the mice in Yamato had gone over to Settsu in the spring and summer of that year and that in the sixth year of the Emperor Tenji's reign (667) the Imperial seat had been removed from Naniwa in Settsu to Shiga in Omi, and that there had been a like exodus of the mice from the former to the latter province in the preceding year.

According to the same book, Oda Nobunaga once dreamed that a mouse had made a nest in the tail of a horse. On awaking, he reflected that he himself was a man born in a horse year, while Akechi Mitsuhide (one of his vassals) was of the rat. This being so, he was convinced that there was no doubt whatever about Mitsuhide revolving rebellious ideas against him and conceived the idea of killing him. Mitsuhide suspecting this, however, anticipated him by murdering him at the Honnoji.

In Heike Monogatari, too, one reads: When the luck of the Nyudo (Kiyomori who lived and flourished in the 12th century and is said to have been the founder of Kobe, or rather Fukuwara, its predecessor) gradually declined, many strange things happened. What was particularly strange was that mice made their nest in the tail of a favorite horse kept in the stables at Tsubo and bore young in it. It was the most extraordinary thing in the world that mice should in one night have made a nest and given birth to young in the tail of a horse that was looked after by several grooms night and day. Nyudo was greatly perturbed and asked seven diviners to explain the meaning of the incident. The answer made by them all was that it was a very grave sign. Accordingly, various prayers and vows were put up (in order to avert the threatened calamity) and the horse was given to Abe no Yasuchiku, Chief Diviner. This was the same animal which had been presented by Oba Saburo Kagechika, a native of Sagami province, as being the most distinguished horse in the eight Eastern provinces. It was called by the name of Full Moon because it was a chestnut with a white brow.

THE CAT AND THE RAT

About the natural and ineradicable antipathy subsisting between the cat and the rat, many curious stories are told. In a book entitled Seiyuki, it is stated that there is a small islet between Higo and Amakusa island. It is inhabited solely by rats. For this reason, the masters of ships plying in the waters in the neighborhood strictly forbid the playing of the samisen (three-stringed guitar) on board, as the playing of that instrument nearby is sure to be followed by a rough sea to the peril of the craft and crew, for such is the dislike of the rats for the samisen which is covered with cat's skin. The author of the book facetiously adds that the rats in that part of the country are evidently aware of the practice in olden times, only they do not know that in the capital dog's skin is now used for the making of cheap samisen!

MICES WEDDING

About the period of Onin (1467-69), we read in a book named Inu Hariko, there dived a big merchant at Shijo in Kyoto. He was a wealthy man with storehouses full of treasures. In those days the the country was sadly disordered and civil war went on without end. Owing to the war, more especially that raging between the two great and ambitious houses of Yamana and Hosokawa, who struggled with each other for the ascendency, the capital (Kyoto) was much disturbed and the citizens felt as if they were treading upon thin ice on the brink of a deep abyss. This made Tokuda (for that was the name of the merchant) disinclined to live on in town, so he bought the ruins of an old palace at Kamikamo in Kitayama and converting it into a villa, went to live there. Hearing of this, his friends and relations called on him to congratulate him on the event. The delightful host showed them into the guest-room where he got up a great banquet and there were such merriment and drinking all day long, that when night set in, both host and guests were dead drunk and slept just where they were, oblivious of everything. In the middle of the night, the footsteps of many people were heard outside and there was a rapid rapping at the front door. When the wondering master of the house opened the door, a man in full court dress and wearing a beautiful beard came in and said: "I was formerly the inhabitant of the house. My only son is going to receive his bride tonight. But my present abode is too confined and dirty for holding nuptial ceremonies. I should therefore be much pleased if you would kindly let us use your house just this one evening. We shall be gone before the day breaks." He had hardly done speaking before a procession of palanquins and horses began to march in, lighted with over a hundred lanterns, big and small, arranged in two rows. First came a palanquin most beautifully decorated. It was followed by many vehicles and female attendants without number, talking and laughing with great noise as they walked in. A horseman of about sixty and wearing two swords was in command of a guard consisting of sixty or seventy warriors who appeared to be keeping vigilant watch over the whole procession. There were also brought in finely lacquered and polished nagamochi, hasami-bako, byobu, iko, kaioke, in fact, a complete set of bridal paraphernalia. There was then a great banquet both in the upper and the lower halls of the house, where all sorts of precious and delicious dishes that could be made of products of land and sea were displayed and partaken of, to the accompaniment of much dancing and singing. When the merriment was at its height, the master of the house and his drunken guests were also invited to join the party. They were urged that they were not to stand on ceremony on an occasion so joyful and auspicious to the banqueters—an invitation which was readily accepted by the master and his guests, drunk and in festive spirits as they already were. On being shown into the banqueting hall they were quite charmed with the bride, whom they found a lady of peerless beauty, slenderly built and exceedingly fair, appearing to be of only fourteen or fifteen. The other ladies who were with her were also as pretty in their figures as they were flowery in their attire. They would stand up and hold the bride by the hand and offer her big cups, saying: "On such a night as this, how could they refrain from forcing you to drink?" Frightened at this, the young lady got on her legs and ran hither and thither, while the others went after her in their eagerness to catch old of her. In short, there was such commotion and uproar with fleeing and pursuing that all the lights were put out. When the lights were re-lit after some delay, none of the banqueters were to be found again, nor was there to found any of the fine things which had appeared to have been carried in on the previous evening, when the scene was more closely examined at daybreak. What they found was that every item of furniture and household property, including utensils for tea ceremonies which were so dear and precious to the owner, had been torn and bitten and nibbled to pieces and that nothing remained whole except the one single old scroll that hung in the alcove, and that contained a picture of a sleeping cat underneath tree-peonies in full bloom. The thing was so old that the signature of the painter was effaced and his seal was hardly visible, but it was left entirely intact. How was this extraordinary incident to be accounted for? On explanation being sought of a learned old priest of the name of Muri Chogen, the latter said: "Never fear! It was all the trick of the goblin of an old rat. The tribe of rats are in such awe of the cat that they dared not touch even a picture of one."

But the rat in reality is an entirely different animal from the rat in legend. So far from being esteemed as messenger of luck, it has been looked down upon as a nuisance that it is, especially after it has been proven by science to be the harbinger of the plague. Whenever cases of the plague are reported, the police are much exercised about how to exterminate the mice and rats in houses and drains. In large towns there are not a few people who make their living by catching rats. Their plan of operations is quite simple. They begin by placing poisoned baits at different points in sewers where there are lidded openings and then go round and see whether they have caught mice or rats, which, when they find them, they sell to the police at five sen or whatever may be the current rate of reward.

Unions Consider Railway Situation

(Reuter's Service)

London, Jan. 14.—The General Council of the Trades Union Congress today considered the railway trouble and adjourned pending further developments. It was decided to appoint an emergency committee if necessary.

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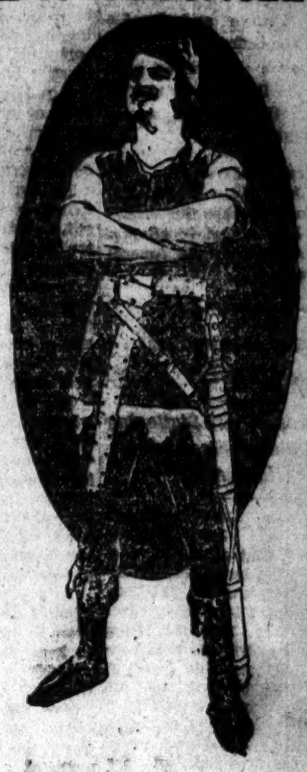

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FRENCH PRAISE SLAIN LEADER IN PALATINATE

Clergy Are Forbidden To Say Anything Against Separatists

(Reuter's Service)

Berlin, Jan. 14.—A message from Speyer says that the funeral of Herr Heinz was attended by 300 people, including separatist troops and Frenchmen. The service was opened by a French General who paid tribute to Herr Heinz as a friend of France and placed a wreath on the coffin.

The French authorities have forbidden the Palatinate clergy to read any anti-separatist protests from their pulpits.

(Reuter's Service)

Paris, Jan. 14.—A despatch from Speyer says that the Bishop of Speyer has refused to allow a priest to officiate at the funeral of Herr Heinz.

Tsingtao Alarmed At Coming Of Navy

Look Askance At Stationing Of Chinese Fleet In Harbor

Peking, Jan. 11.—The people of Tsingtao have been alarmed by the report that out of the profits of the Kiaochow-Tsinan Railway a monthly sum of $50,000 will be set apart for the expenses of the fleet just returned from Canton; and they have held conferences to discuss the matter. They have telegraphed to the Central Government and to Marshal Wu Pei-fu, demanding that a clear statement should be issued to remove the suspicion of the public. They have also sent delegates to interview Admiral Wen Shu-teh requesting him to show them the locality where the fleet would be stationed and to restrict the actions of the sailors who might pay visits to the town. The people of Shantung attach great importance to the development of the railway enterprises of their province. One year has elapsed since the taking over of the Kiaochow-Tsinan Railway from Japan, during which period much improvement had been made. According to reports from communications circles, there was a net profit of more than $3,000,000 during last year, the gross receipt being $9,000,000, which figure shows an increase of a sum of $1,900,000 in comparison with the preceding year when the management was in the hand of the Japanese Government. All the loan obligations, etc., were fully paid. It is believed that this year the various receipts of the line will be greatly improved.

Aid Is Sought In Britain For German Social Democrats

(Exclusive China Press)

London, Jan. 15—The secretaries-general of the British Trade Union Council and of the executive committee of the British Labor Party have issued an appeal asking for financial support for the Social Democratic Party in Germany, which was reduced to utmost poverty by the collapse of the German monetary standard.

Explain Rise In Hongkong Shares

(Reuter's Pacific Service)

Hongkong, Jan. 15.—The proposal to capitalise the reserve fund, to distribute three bonus shares for every two old shares and to issue one new share at par for every three old shares and bonus shares explains the recent sensational rise in the shares of the Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company.

Mathematics And Metaphysics

BY GARRETT P. SERVISS

Instead of the claim to "liberty of prophesying" which John Milton defended for the writers of his day, we have in our time the claim of the mathematicians to liberty of "postulating." Let the mathematician make any postulate, i. e., any fundamental assumption for a starter that suits him, and he will ask no more. Off he goes "through the looking-glass"—at least so it appears to the non-mathematician.

You must not try to hamper him with the dicta of common sense, for he doesn't recognise them as applicable to his proceedings. You mustn't say to him: "That won't do; you are assuming what isn't true, or can't be verified," for he will smilingly reply: "That's of no consequence; I've nothing to do with facts."

To show that this is so read the following words of Bertrand Russell, quoted by Professor Eddington in his book on the Einstein Theory:

"Pure mathematics consists entirely of such asseverations as that, if such and such a proposition is true of anything, then such and such a proposition is true of that thing.

"It is essential not to discuss whether the first proposition is really true, and not to mention what the anything is of which it is supposed to be true. . . . Thus mathematics may be defined as the subject in which we never know what we are talking about, nor whether what we are saying is true."

To another mathematician is attributed the affirmation: "It is literally true that I do not want to know the significance of the variables x, y, z, t, that I am discussing."

Now, this way of putting things seems to be chosen merely to shock the mind of the non-mathematical reader. It doesn't do him any good, for it doesn't convey to him in anyway the solid fact that what the mathematician is after, so far as he considers utility at all, is the formulation of general, abstract laws of the relation of things, that shall not be dependent upon particular facts or cases.

Yet, while the mathematician thus asserts his absolute freedom from the restraint of facts and material limitations, he stoutly denies that he is dealing in metaphysics. But if he isn't, he sometimes runs so close to the clouds of the metaphysicians that people outside his circle can hardly be blamed for thinking that he really must be involved in them. Take, for instance, some of the speculations that have been hung upon the Einstein theory.

Thus, Professor E. P. Lewis, dealing with the subject of "the contributions of astronomy to civilisation," remarks:

"On the basis of the general theory of relativity it seems possible that astronomical observations may reveal to us a universe which is finite and yet unbounded, a self contained universe keeping intact its store of matter and of radiant energy, with no infinite ocean of empty space around it, for there can be no space where there is no matter. This is the hope that is held out to us by Einstein and his co-workers, and to the astronomers we must leave the task of confirming that hope."

What, pray, can be more metaphysical than abstract considerations about the nature of space and matter? If, as Professor Lewis admits, imagination cannot grasp either the finiteness or the infiniteness of the universe "in terms of the old ideas of space and time," how much nearer are we brought to grasping anything by such assertions as that "there is no space where there is no matter," or that the universe is at the same time "finite and yet unbounded?" And if the fundamental basis of Einstein's theory requires no verification from observational facts, how happens it that Einstein himself is so eager to be supported by what astronomers see during an eclipse of the sun, or by the peculiarities which they notice in the movements of the planet Mercury.

The time is likely to be very far off when astronomers abandon their present concrete work to chase after metaphysical abstractions, masquerading as mathematics.

ENTENTE WILL FOLLOW ALLIED POLICY TO RUSS

Belgrade Conference Fails To Take Action On Agenda

(Reuter's Service)

Belgrade, Jan. 14.—The Little Entente will subordinate its action with regard to the re-establishment of relations with Soviet Russia to the attitude of the principal Allies and in the event of recognition of Russia by Britain and Italy it will leave each of its members free to act as special circumstances warrant.

It was emphasised at the Conference that the Little Entente was not seeking in any way to form a Continental barrier against the policy of Britain.

The exchange of views at the Conference with regard to the Hungarian loan has paved the way for the final deliberations in London on January 16.

Miners In Britain Attack Wage Pact

(Reuter's Service)

London, Jan. 14.—A ballot of Yorkshire and Northumberland miners has resulted overwhelmingly in favor of termination of the National Wages Agreement. The result of a ballot to be taken throughout the country will be announced on Thursday and is expected to be similar.

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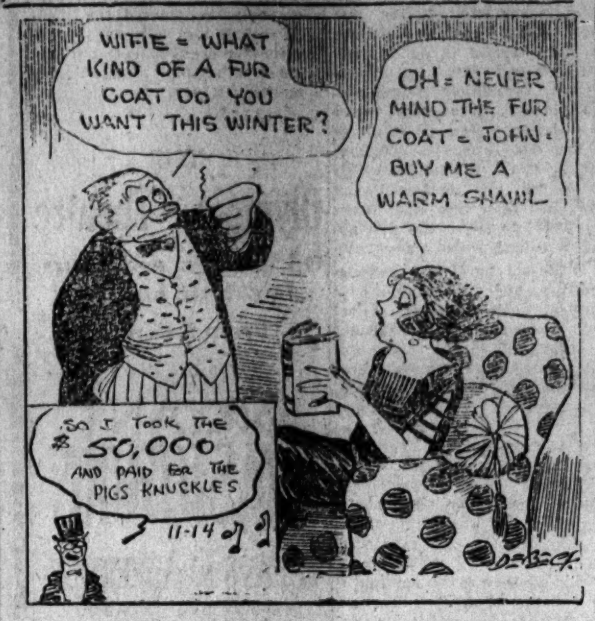
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Nothing succeeds like success. Nothing can send the stock market up as lively as a five-point rise in leading stocks. Most people don't buy shares because they think they are cheap. They buy them because they think the market is going to go up. The surest way to make the public feel that the stock market is going up is to start it going up. Then thousands and thousands of persons become infected with the idea that the rise will go on and on.

That is what we have been witnessing in Wall Street during the last ten days. Many who felt that the market would sink and sink changed their whole attitude once stocks began to boom. Of late there has been more or less of a scramble to get aboard the bull wagon.

In this instance the recovery was bound to come sooner or later, for no end of investment stocks had been forced down to illogically low levels.

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Are we Americans becoming more sociable? If it be true, as it is often charged, that we spend fewer evenings in our own homes than we did in the olden days, are we not getting together oftener, in a social way, out of our own homes?

For example, within the last ten years there has been a phenomenal increase in the number of organizations for drawing people closer together. Almost every industry now has its national or state organisation, and very often both. All sorts of "causes" now have their organizations. Fraternal orders have flourished as never before. Clubs have multiplied amazingly.

And have you not noticed that all of them go in for periodical conventions, or at least annual banquets? Even when the most sedate business convention gathers the social feature is nowaday very prominent. Formerly little or no provision was made for the attendance or the entertainment of ladies at business or other conventions; now there are sometimes as many ladies as men in attendance, and even more attention is paid to arranging entertainment for them.

Having had occasion to dine several evenings recently at the Astor Hotel, I noticed on every occasion crowds making for the huge banquet hall. Inquiries revealed that Proprietor F. A. Muschenheim is filling not only the main banquet hall, but other banquet rooms, not once, but twice and sometimes there times daily.

Theodore Kemm, proprietor of the Fifth Avenue Restaurant, also tells me that he has never in all his long career experienced such demands on his capacious banqueting facilities. I understand that other leading hotels and restaurants are having similar experiences.

Yet you may recall that the universal verdict when prohibition came was that it would mean the death-knell of public dinners, and lunches and banquets and other social affairs!

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It may interest those who think of New York as being overrun with rum to learn that it is now unusual rather than usual for liquor to appear on any of the tables at these affairs. As for having it served to all guests as part of the meal, it simply isn't done. I can assure you that I have found other places a good deal wetter than York.

Anent the foregoing, a wire from Crawford E. White, of Seattle, states that the Fraternal Order of Eagles, which was first instituted in that city by six men in 1898, has in its Seattle Aerie No. 1, the astounding number of 16,686 members. This, it is claimed, is the largest membership of any one fraternal organization chapter or lodge in the world with the exception of one in Philadelphia. The Eagles is the only fraternal organization to be born on the Pacific Coast and destined to spread from West to East. It now has over 1,500 lodges.

Yes, we are becoming more and more sociable.

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How much do we all owe to the inventive brains of our engineers? The General Electric Company, with its Steinmetz, was not the only great industrial enterprise in America having on its pay roll engineers, chemists, scientists and other research workers. The fruit emanating from these costly laboratories enriches life and living for us all.

During a recent trip through the West, I learned that from St. Louis has just come a very notable achievement in the electric field. The research laboratories of the Wagner Electric Corporation, St. Louis, it transpires, have presented American industry—therefore us all—with the solution of one of the chief problems hampering the utilisation of electric energy via high-tension lines for power purposes. This industry counts its investments in billions and it directly enters into the daily lives of half our population.

The particular problem which has just been solved was highly technical. It seems that alternating-current motors hitherto had required the generation of an immense idle current in addition to what they converted into mechanical power. Now the engineers have devised a new motor, the Eynn-Weichsel motor, which uses the idle current, and thus, it is computed, saves the worth of hundreds of millions in capital invested to the electric power industry and its vast army of customers.

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Tientsin Rotary Passes Resolution On Petit's Death

The death of Dr. Julian Petit here, removing as it did, a pioneer of the International Rotary movement in the Far East, cast a gloom over the meeting of the Rotary Club of Tientsin last week, according to Northern papers. Dr. Petit played a very important part in the organisation of the Tientsin Rotary Club, for which he stood sponsor to the International Headquarters at Chicago. A Committee consisting of an American, a British, and a Chinese member had been entrusted with the task of drawing up an appropriate resolution, which was presented to the gathering last Thursday and carried in respectful silence. The resolution read:

Resolved.—That the members of the Tientsin Rotary Club have heard with the deepest regret of the untimely death of Dr. Julian Petit, Past President of the Shanghai Rotary Club:

That they desire to place on record their sincere appreciation of his services to Rotary International in the Far East:

That they desire especially to record their obligation to the late Dr. Julian Petit for his services in promoting and acting as sponsor for the Tientsin Rotary Club, and for his continued and sympathetic interest in this organisation:

That they extend their sympathy to Mrs. Petit and her daughter in their sad bereavement and to the Shanghai Rotary Club in the loss of so valued and energetic a Rotarian;

That copies of this Resolution be forwarded to Mrs. Petit, to Rotary Readquarters at Chicago, and to the President of the Shanghai Rotary Club;

And that the Tientsin Rotary Club express a desire to participate in any Memorial which the Shanghai Rotary Club may decide to raise in memory of the Pioneer of International Rotary in the Far East.

Thaw Making New Effort To Win Freedom

New York, Jan. 3.—Bartholomew E. Coyne, counsel for Harry E. Thaw, announced today that an attempt to have his client declared sane was expected and that Thaw would make an effort to regain control of his estate and return to New York where an indictment is standing.

Frederick Gump and ex-Judge James G. Gordon, counsel for Thaw's mother in Philadelphia, announced that any attempt to have Thaw released would be opposed. Mr. Gump indicated his willingness to let the criminal charge lapse and settle the $650,000 damage suit out of court.

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LONDON OFFICE:
16 BISHOPSGATE, E. C.

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Barcelona	Manila
Batavia	Panama
Bombay	Peking
Calcutta	Rangoon
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Cebu	Santo Domingo
Colon	Shanghai
Dairen	Singapore
Hankow	Soerabaya
Harbin	Tientsin
Hongkong	Tokio
Kobe	Yokohama
Madrid	

Commercial and Travellers' Letters of Credit, Bills of Exchange and Cable Transfers bought and sold. Current accounts and Savings Bank accounts opened and Fixed Deposits in local and foreign currencies taken at rates that may be ascertained on application to the Bank.

We are also able to offer our Customers the service of the Branches of the National City Bank of New York in the principal countries of Europe, South America and in the West Indies.

N. S. MARSHALL, Manager.
1A Kiukiang Road, Shanghai.

The Bank of China

(Specially authorised by Presidential Mandate of 15th April, 1920

Authorised Capital	$60,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital	$19,760,100.00
Reserve Fund	$ 6,033,345.41

Head Office: Peking
Branches and Agencies:

Peking	Taiyuan	Shanghai
Tientsin	Kaifeng	Hankow
Chanchun	Wuhu	Ichang
Antung	Anking	Changsha
Dalny	Hangchow	Nanchang
Moukden	Ningpo	Kiukiang
Newchang	Nanking	Foochow
Harbin	Chinkiang	Amoy
Kirin	Hsuchow	Canton
Tsinan	Soochow	Hongkong
Chefoo	Wusieh	Swatow
Tsingtao	Yangchow	Chungking

etc., etc., etc.
Foreign Correspondents:
London, Paris, Berlin, New York, San Francisco, Tokio, Osaka and Yokohama.

SHANGHAI BRANCH
22 The Bund
Loans granted on approved Securities. Local Bills discounted. Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits in Taels or Dollars according to arrangement.

SUNG HAN-CHANG,
Manager.

Nederlandsche Handel Maatschappii

(Netherlands Trading Society)
Established 1824

Paid-up-Capital: Guilders 80,000,000 (about £6,666,666)
Reserve Funds: Guilders 19,769,181 (about £1,647,432)
Special Reserve: Guilders 22,660,000 (about £1,888,333).

Head Office: AMSTERDAM.
Head Agency BATAVIA

Agencies in Holland:
THE HAGUE and ROTTERDAM

Branches:

Bandjermasin	Pekalongen
Bandoeng	Palembang
Bombay	Penang
Calcutta	Pontianak
Cheriben	Rangoon
Djember	Semarang
Djokjakarta	Singapore
Hongkong	Soerakarta
Kobe	Soerabaya
Kota-Radja	Tegal
Makassar	Tjilatjap
Medan	Welteyreden
Padang	

London Bankers
National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Ltd.

Correspondents at the principal places in Europe, Asia, Australia and North America.
The Bank buys, sells and receives for collection bills of exchange, issues letters of credit on its branches and correspondents and transacts banking business of every description.
Shanghai Interest Allowed on current tael accounts and fixed deposits, according to arrangement.

M. J. HERBSCHLEB,
Agent.

Chung Foo Union Bank

(Established in 1918)

Subscribed Capital $2,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital $1,500,000.00
Reserve Fund $200,000.00

SHANGHAI BRANCH
27 Jinkee Road
Telegraphic Address "CHUNGFOO"
Telephone Numbers .... C. 1929 Manager's Office. C. 6468) C. 6469) General Office. C. 6470) C. 5620 T. T. Department

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES IN CHINA

TIENTSIN	Changsha	Hsuchow	Shasi
SHANGHAI	Chengteh	Ichang	Soochow
PEKING	Chengchow	Kiukiang	Tsinkiangpu
HANKOW	Chinkiang	Nanking	Wusieh
ANTUNG	Fengtien	Ningpo	Wuhu
CANTON	Hangchow	Pengpu	Yangchow
CHANGCHUN	Hongkong	Shaoshing	

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Berlin	Cleveland	New York	Seattle
Boston	Detroit	Osaka	St. Louis
Buffalo	Kobe	Philadelphia	Tokio
Cebu	London	Pittsburgh	Washington
Chicago	Manila	Paris	Yokohama

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted. Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits in taels, dollars, and other currencies according to arrangement. Savings Deposits taken. All kinds of Trust Business undertaken.
Safe Deposit Boxes.
Credits granted on approved securities.

Y. B. Sun, Manager,
T. D. Zar, Sub-Manager.

TheShanghai Commercial & Savings Bank, Ltd.

Established 1915
(Member of the Shanghai Bankers' Association)
Paid Up Capital...$2,500,000.00 Reserve Funds...$470,000.00
Head Office: 9 Ningpo Rd. Sub-Branches: 15 Szechuen Rd. 206 Boundary Rd. Travel Dept. 97 Szechuen Rd.

Branches and Agencies in the principal cities throughout China.
Correspondents at the principal places abroad.

Savings Department
Banking Department | Foreign Exchange Dept. | Trust Department
Travel Department | Godown Department | Credit Department
Safe Deposit Boxes

Telephone to all Branches and departments Central 8050

K. P. CHEN,
General Manager.

The National Commercial Bank, Ltd.

Established 1907.
Capital Fully Paid Up $5,500,000.00
Reserved Fund $350,525.50
Head Office: Shanghai:—Peking & Kiangse Roads.
Manager's Office Cen. 2650.
Telephones: General Office Cen. 2613, 2614 and 2615.
Foreign Exchange Dept. C. 7415.
Branches: Hangchow, Hankow, Peking, Tientsin, Mukden, Harbin.
Foreign Correspondents: London, New York, San Francisco, Paris, Berlin, Zurich, Hamburg, Tokio, Yokohama, Kobe, and Osaka. Domestic Correspondents at all principal cities in China.
Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits in Taels, Dollars, Gold Dollars, and Yen.
Interest allowed on Deposit at call both in Taels and Dollars according to arrangement.
Domestic and Foreign Drafts purchased and sold.
Credit granted on approved securities.
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Every description of banking business transacted.
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行銀業商聖
The Bank of East Asia Ltd.

SHANGHAI BRANCH
No. 10 Kiukiang Road.

Authorised Capital $10,000,000.00
Paid up Capital $ 5,000,000.00
Reserved Fund H.K. $ 500,000.00
HEAD OFFICE: Hongkong.
BRANCHES: Canton, Saigon.
LONDON BANKERS: The Midland Bank Limited.
Correspondents in all principal cities of the world. All kinds of banking business transacted.
Interest allowed on current deposits and fixed deposits.
Loans granted on approved securities.

E. CHENG,
Manager.

Commercial Bank of China

Head Office: SHANGHAI.

	Sh. s.
Subscribed Capital	5,000,000
Paid-Up Capital	2,500,000

Advances made on approved securities. Bills discounted.
Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent per annum on daily balance. On fixed deposits:—
For 3 months at 3% per annum.
For 6 months at 4% per annum.
For 12 months at 5% per annum.
On deposits in Dollars according to arrangement.

H. C. MARSHALL,
Chief Manager.

SINO-ITALIAN BANK

Aut. Cap. Silver Dollars. 4,300,000
Aut. Cap. Gold It. Lire 16,000,000
Paid up Capital ..Silver $1,200,000
Paid up Cap. Gold It. Lire 4,000,000
Reserves ..... Silver $150,000
Head Office: Shanghai.
Branches:
Hankow, Peking, S'hai, Tientsin.
Bankers:
Italy: Credito Italiano.
England: Credito Italiano, National Provincial and Union Bank of England, Ld., Glyn Mills and Currie.
France: Banque Francaise et Italienne pour l'Amerique du Sud Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris, Banque Italo Belge.
United States: Credito Italiano Equitable Trust Company.
Canada: Canadian Bank of Commerce.
South America: Banca Italo Belga.
Switzerland: Banca Unione di Credito.
Banque Commerciale de la Baie, Len and Co.'s Bank.
Banca Unione de Credito.
Belgium—Credit General Liegeois
Current, fixed and savings accounts carried in Taels, Dollars, Sterling, U. S. Gold, Italian Lire, Francs and other currencies. Terms on application.
General banking business transacted. Special facilities for Italian exchange.
Telegraphic Address: Stait SHANGHAI, No. 16 Kiukiang Road.
Tel. C. Nos. 5090 and 5091.
Managers' Office Central 3004.

C. MARMONT,
SHIN YU SHU,
General Managers.

Obituary

SIR RICHARD DAVID MUIR
(Reuter's Service)

London, Jan. 14.—The death is announced of Sir Richard David Muir at the age of 66. He had been a Bencher of the Middle Temple since 1909 and Recorder of Colchester since 1911.

Sir Richard Muir began his career on the Parliamentary staff of the Times. He was called to the Bar in 1884 and became Senior Treasury Counsel at the Central Criminal Court in 1908.

PRINCE MAX RATIBOR
(Exclusive China Press)

Berlin, Jan. 15.—A message from Upper Bavaria reports the death of Prince Max Ratibor, former German ambassador in Madrid. He was 68 years old.

Weather Report

Jan. 14. Barometric maximum between Irkutsk and Peking. The depression of the Valley moves Eastwards towards the Sea, surrounded by a cyclonic circulation. Variable breezes in the N. and in the S. Fog along the coast. Snow on Lake Baikal.

Jap. 15.—The depression has reached the Sea. Rather strong squalls. Overcast, rainy, weather. Fog along the coast. Raising barometer.

A rather strong earthquake has been registered from 4.53 to 7.35 this morning. Direction not yet determined. Distance 1800 kilometers.

Provision Prices In Local Market

Prices quoted are in Mexican dollar cents at Hongkew Market compiled on January 15, 1924.

Butcher's Meat		
Beef	per lb.	16-30
Mutton	„	18-30
Pork	„	30-40
Veal	„	24-36
Fish		
Bream	per lb.	18-20
Cod	„	18-20
Mandarin	„	20-40
Mackerel	„	30-40
Pomfret	„	30-40
Salmon	„	20-25
Samli	„	none
Soles	„	20-25
Whitebait	„	none
Game Poultry and Eggs		
Deer	each	$2.00 up
Eggs	per doz.	25-30
Fowl	per lb.	20-30
Hare	each	35-40
Partridge	„	40-50
Pheasant	„	80-$1.00
Geese	„	$1.20-$1.50
Plover	„	none
Pigeons	„	25-30
Quail	„	18-20
Snipe	„	16-18
Teal	„	18-20
Turkey	per lb.	45-50
Woodcock	each	50-60
Wild Duck	„	40-50
Duck	„	80-$1.00
Wild Pigeon	„	12-15
Fruit		
Apricots	per lb.	none
Apples	„	18-20
Bananas	„	8-10
Chestnuts	„	14-16
Cherries	per lb.	none
Cocoanuts	each	18-20
Figs	ped doz.	none
Grapes	per lb.	20-25
Grape fruit	each	none
Lemons	„	9-10
Lichees	per lb.	none
Oranges	„	10-14
Peaches	„	none
Mangoes	each	none
Melons	„	none
Mangosteens	per doz.	none
Persimmons	per lb.	none
Pears	„	18-20
Peeboes	„	none
Plums	„	none
Pumeloes	each	18-20
Pineapples	„	10-12
Strawberries	per lb.	none
Walnuts	„	15-18
Vegetables		
Artichokes	per lb.	5-4
Asparagus	per doz.	none
Bamboo Shoots	per lb.	none
Beetroot	per bunch	2-3
Broad Beans	„	12-15
Cabbages	each	5-10
Celery	per bunch	10-12
Carrots	„	4-5
Cauliflower	each	15-25
Egg Plant	per lb.	10-12
French Beans	„	10-12
Green Corn	„	none
Peas	„	18-20
Leeks	per bunch	4-5
Parsnips	„	6-8
Potatoes	per picul	$2.40-2.60
Radishes	per bunch	1-2
Onions	per lb.	4-6
Spinach	„	4-6
Tomatoes	„	10-14
Turnips	per bunch	2-3
Grain and Flour		
Flour American	„	$4.00
Flour, Shanghai	„	$2.80
Bran	per 114 lbs.	$3.40
Barley	„	$4.20
Rice	per 200 lbs.	$11.80
Milk		
Chinese dairies	per bottle	$0.20
Foreign dairies	„	$0.25
Fuel		
Fire Wood	per 40 bundles	$1.00
Stove Coal	per ton	Tls. 18.75
House Coal	„	16.75

E. Kilner,
Chief Inspector.

Passengers Arrived

Per C.M. s.s. Hsin Kiangteen from Ningpo: Messrs. A. Harrison, Mardumilin, A. E. Fitzsimmons, Capt. Alf. Steinberg.

Per C.M. s.s. Hsinchi from Foochow: Miss J. Twonsend, Mrs. Richards, Mr. and Mrs. V. D. L. Parker, Capt. A. W. Scott, Master D. Marsh, Messrs. J. W. P. Marsh, E. T. George, G. Shekary.

Per C.N. s.s. Poyang for Hankow and ports: Messrs. F. G. Ingram, J. M. Larsen, T. Jesperson, P. Knuger.

Masons Hold Big Dinner At Astor

About five hundred Masons gathered at the Astor House grill on Monday night for dinner to celebrate the completion of the thirty-second degree by a class of 33 candidates. The dinner was given by Orient Commandery No. 1 Scottish Rite, and several short addresses welcoming the candidates were made by members of the order.

Passengers Departed

Per C.N. s.s. Hsin Peking for Ningpo: Miss Harris, Messrs. E. Charlot, Powell.

Per C.N. s.s. Poyang for Hankow: Misses A. Gonsalves, L. and M. Gonsalves.

Per C.N. s.s. Wuchang for Hankow: Mr. J. A. Barton.

Per I-C. s.s. Kungwo for Hankow: Capt. and Mrs. H. M. Spence, Mr. and Mrs. Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Wiggins, Mrs. Woolley, Messrs. E. Aitkin, S. E. Hill.

Per P. and O. s.s. Sicilia for London: Mr. and Mrs. A. E. N. Howard; for Bombay: Mr. Bulchand and infant; for Singapore: Mr. Leong Kee Wee; for Hongkong: Major and Mrs. E. A. Penny, Sgt. Turner, Mr. C. Benjamin.

Financial And Commercial News

BENJAMIN AND POTTS SHARE LIST

Yesterday's Closed

Stock	Closing Quotations
Banks	
Chartered	H.$1,060 B.
Russo-Asiatic	£19⅝
Marine Insurance	Nom
Canton	H.$725 B.
North China	Tls. 188
Union of Canton	H.$252 B.
Yangtsze	H.$26½ B.
Far Eastern Ins.	Tls. 22
Fire Insurance	
China Fire	H.$140 B.
Hongkong Fire	H.$550
Shipping	
Indo-China Del.	H.$133½
Indo-China Pref.	H. $88¼ B.
Douglas Lapraik ord.	78/6
S'hai Tug ord.	Tls. 75
S'hai Tug Pref.	Tls. 53
Mining	
Kaiping	Tls. 21 B
Oriental Cons.	13/-
Raub	$5.20
Docks	
Hongkong Dock	H.$170 B.
Shanghai Dock	Tls. 95 S.
New Eng. Works	Tls. 6¼ B.
New Eng. Works Pref.	Tls. 5.15 B.
Wharves	
Shanghai Wharf	Tls. 180
Hongkong Wharf	H.$185 B.
Lands and Hotels	
S'hai Hotel, Ltd.	$50 B.
S'hai Realty ord.	Tls. 50
S'hai Realty Pref.	Tls. 50
China Realty Pref.	Tls. 120 B.
E. French Land.	Tls. 117½ B.
Shanghai Land.	Tls. 53
Carlton Ltd.	
Cotton Mills	
E-wo (ord.)	Tls. 12.40B.
E-wo (pref.)	Tls. 113½ B.
Lao-Kung-mow	Tls. 10
Oriental	Tls. 4¾ B.
Shanghai Cotton	Old 63 B. New 40
Industrials	
Butterfield Tiles	Tls. 25
China Sugar	Tls. 256 B.
Green Island	Tls. 38 S.
Hongkong Rats	Tls. 34½ B.
Lane, Crawford Bros.	Tls. 5
Pacific Sumatra	Tls. 90
Stores	
Lane, Crawford and Holts	Tls. 6.90 B
Evelyn	Tls. 35 B.
Arnold Crawford	Tls. 103½ B.
The Trio	$70
Wing On	H.$22½ B.
Sincere	Tls. 11 S.
Astor House Members (local)	
Hongkong Hotel	Tls. 7 S.
Palace Hotel	Tls. 0.50 S.
Quarry Bay	Tls. 6¾
Shanghai Java	Tls. 2.90
Shanghai Dutch	Tls. 23½ B.
Soochow Tawah	Tls. 1
Tientsin Anam 1918	Tls. 0.82½ B.
Tientsin	Tls. 1.05 B.
Toh Kiang	Tls. 1.05 B.
Union or United	Tls. 6
Universal Dodak	Tls. 1¾ B.
Wanchai	Tls. 2.70 S.
Weihaiwei Consolidated	Tls. 2
Wing On	Tls. 9½
Yangtzepoo	Tls. 14
Yangtzepoo Kalumpong	Tls. 12¾ B.
Yuen Fah Consolidated	Tls. 6
Yuen Fah Spinning	Tls. 1.10 B.
Yuen Fah Tobacco	Tls. 1.05
Zoroastrian Bahroo	Tls. 14
Batavia Crewwook Java	Tls. 6½
Borneo Kalimantan Durian	Tls. 1.10 B.
Borneo Sarawak	Tls. 2.90 B.
Borneo Sibuko	Tls. 0.92½B.
Borneo Tobacco	Tls. 0.75 B.
Celebes Kema	Tls. 1
Deli Company	Tls. 1.30 B.
Deli Kebon Bagoes	Tls. 1.02½B.
Deli Kebon Kwala	Tls. 0.60 B.
Deli Serdang	Tls. 4¾
Deli Tobacco	Tls. 8 B.
Java Chemoro	Tls. 0.90 B.
Java Consolidated	Tls. 1¾ B.
Java Kloppo	Tls. 8 B.
Java Tobacco	Tls 3¾
Java Tobacco Pref.	Tls. 0.80
Kedah Malay	Tls. 0.70
Kedah Malay pref.	Tls. 0.72½ B.
Kedah Pahang	Tls. 1.32½ B.
Sungei Duri	Tls. 3.30 B.
Sua Manggis	
S'hai Seremban	
Taiping	
Tanah Merah	
Tebong	
Ziangbee	
Miscellaneous	
C. I. & E. Lumber	Tls. 325
Culty Dairy	Tls. 13
Shanghai Trams	Tls. 170
Shanghai Gas	Tls. 45 B.
Horse Bazaar	Tls. 50 B.
S'hai Mercury	Tls. 20 B.
S'hai Telephone	Tls. 73 B.
S'hai Waterworks	Tls. 140

S. Sellers, Ss. Sales, B. Buyers

Shanghai Sharebrokers Association

Business Done

Shanghai, January 15, 1924

OFFICIAL

Anglo Javas Tls. 6.75

UNOFFICIAL

S'hai Lands Tls. 118.00
S.M.C. 6% Debs. 1923 Tls. 99.00
Anglo Javas Tls. 6.75
Chemoro Tls. 1.15 April
Langkats Comb. Tls. 36.00 March
Ayer Tawah Tls. 24.50 March

Money Exchange

Shanghai, January 15, 1924

Mex. Dollar market rate	71.9
Native Interest	04
Copper Cash	252.000
Shanghai Gold Bar	313.40
Bar Silver	33⅞
Bank rate of Discount	4%
Paris on London	96.20
New York on London	423
London—	
Telegraphic Transfer	3/3¼
Demand	3/3⅜
New York—	
Telegraphic Transfer	69
Demand	69¼

OPENING RATES
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank
Opening quotations 9:30 a.m.
BANKS SELLING RATES

London T.T.	3/3¼
London Demand	3/3⅜
London 4 m-s.	3/3½
India T.T.	227
France T.T.	1585
America T.T.	69
Hongkong T.T.	72¼
Japan T.T.	63½
Batavia T.T.	193
Straits T.T.	72

BANKS BUYING RATES

London 4 m-s. Credits	3/5¼
London 4 m-s. Docts	3/5½
London 6 m-s. Credits	3/5¾
London 6 m-s. Docts	—
France 4 m-s.	1665
America 4 m-s. L/c.	72½
Docs	73

Gold Dollars: Bank Buying Rates
@ 70⅝=Tls. 141.34
@ exch. 72.1=Mex. $196.03
Sovereign: Bank Buying Rate
@ 4½d.=Tls. 5.92
@ exch. 72.1=Mex. $8.21

CUSTOMS HOUSE EXCHANGE RATES FOR JANUARY

Hk. Tls. 5.44	@ 3/3⅝	£1
Hk. Tls. 1.24	@ 72⅛	Gold $1
Hk. Tls. 1	@ 1370½	Fr. 15.27
Hk. Tls. 1	@ —	Marks —
Hk. Tls. 1	@ 66⅝	Yen 1.68
Hk. Tls. 1	@ 230½	Rupees 2.57
Hk. Tls. 1	@ —	Roubles —
Hk. Tls. 1	@ 1.50	Mex. $1.50
Hk. Tls. 1	@ 16.40	Ital. Lire 18.27

International Banking Corporation
CLOSING COUNTER RATES

Demand selling on America	69
Demand buying on America	70⅝
Demand selling on London	3/3½
Demand buying on London	3/4½

SINO-ITALIAN BANK

Bank's Selling Rates
It. Lire 15.70=1 Tael
Swiss Frs. 4.00=1 Tael
It. Lire 9.75=1 Yen

Chinese Government Bonds
(Supplied by Sing Tung & Co.)

	Monday.	Yes'day's.
3rd Year 6%	92.00	92.00
5th Year 6%	58.80	58.80
7th Year 6%	47.20	47.30
9th Year 6%	71.20	71.50
6% Consolidated	52.80	53.00
7% Consolidated	63.70	63.70
11th Year 8%	98.00	98.00
96 Millions 8%	16.05	16.05

ROUBLE EXCHANGE

BANK'S BUYING RATE
Roubles 575,000 Taels 100
Roubles 100 Mex. $0.03

Stock Exchange

Transactions

Today's Quotations
Shanghai, January 15, 1924
OFFICIAL
S.M.C. 6% Debs. 1923 Tls. 99.00
Chinese Eng: & Mining "B" Tls. 21.50
Permatas Tls. 3.00
Bukits Tls. 1.12½ March
S.M.C. 8% Debs. 1921 Tls. 112.00
UNOFFICIAL
S. N. Railway 5% £64.2.6
Tebong 8% Debs. Tls. 90.00
Race Club 6½% Debs. Tls. 100.00
Telephones Tls. 73.50
Bukits Tls. 1.12½ March
Ewo Mills (Ord.) Tls. 12.90 Mar.

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Silk Report

In their weekly report on the silk market, Messrs. William Little and Company write as follows:

Our last report was dated January 5.

The enquiry about from New York referred to in our last has resulted in considerable interest being shown in New Style and Steam filatures at advancing rates, especially for the former, while Tussah filatures have also received attention at higher prices. Lyons has also been in the market to some extent, but the vagaries of exchange and advances asked, especially in Mienchews filatures, has tended to restrict business.

Silk dealers generally are in a much happier frame of mind than they have been for some time.

Tsatlee Filatures.—Nine Dragon 1, 2, 3, Tls. 975 av. Blue Fish 1, 2, 3, Tls. 965 av. Kung Kee Mars, 1 Tls. 965—190.

Tsatlee New Style.—Gold and Silver Eagle and Bell Ex. 1, 2, Tls. 1,180 av. M. H. Y. Blue Dragon and Feima Ex. 1, 2, Tls. 1, 145 75 av. Blue Monster and Race Horse Ex. 1, 2, Tls. 1, 140 55 av. Blue Serpent, and Broncho Ex. 1, 2, Tls. 1, 130 av. Three Arrow 1 and 2, Calangay 1 & 2, Common Tls. 879½.

Steam Filatures have been in demand chiefly in Medium grades as Three Dancers on basis of Tls. 1,380—1,410 av. open size.

Mienchew Filatures are firm and difficult at Tls. 1,260 av. 13 15 Best No. 1 Tls. 1,150. 14 17 Good Class.

Tussal Filatures 8 coc.—Best grades have advanced from Tls. 735 av. last week to Tls. 777½ av. and market is firm.

EXPORT FROM SHANGHAI

From June 1 to date 10,511 bales white and 7,548 bales yellow.

To London 915 bales.

To France 1,524 bales white and 568 bales yellow.

To Italy and Switzerland 137 bales white and 8 bales yellow.

To America 5,591 bales.

To India and Levant 1,582 bales white and 6,802 bales yellow.

To Coast ports and Russia 932 bales.

Steam filatures to Europe, etc., 9,913 bales and America 12,571 bales.

Yellow steam 4,530 bales.

Wild silk to Europe, etc., 1,196 and bales and America 3,871 bales.

SETTLEMENTS

Settlements for Europe, etc., 5,250 piculs white silk and 8,000 piculs yellow silk.

Settlements for America 6,500 piculs.

Stocks in Shanghai: 2,500 piculs white silk, 3,000 piculs yellow silk and 100 piculs wild silk.

Visible supply for season to date 25,250 piculs.

Slayers Surrender On Afghan Border

(Reuter's Service)

Peshawar, Jan. 14.—News has been received at the frontier that the gang responsible for the murders of British officers has surrendered to the Afghan Government.

BANDITS NOW ARE AT GATES OF HSUCHOW, HONAN

(Independent News Service)

Hsuchow, Honan, Jan. 8.—A special messenger arrived here last night from Kiahsien with the startling news that Lao Yang-jen and his robber army had arrived within striking distance of that city. A telegram sent by the Chinese arrived today, to the effect that the robbers were occupying the vicinity of the city, though it was not clear whether or not the city itself had fallen into their hands.

Fortunately all the American missionaries of Juchow and Kiahsien had left about a week ago to attend a conference meeting at Hsuchow and had not yet returned. A hurred council was held and it was decided that as many as could get ready should set out on the noon train for Kikungshan and Hankow. The others were to follow on the evening express.

Two ladies who had already set out for Yuchow on Monday were notified by telegram to return at once.

TROOPS FOOLED BY BANDITS

It was related by the messenger from Kiahsien that at noon on the day before, Sunday, the advance guard of the robber army began to arrive, and they kept on coming throughout the afternoon and all night.

No definite information has been received concerning what has become of the 10,000 troops reported to have been seen on their way southward with orders to capture Lao Yang-jen dead or alive. Evidently the robber army succeeded in outmaneuvering the soldiers, and by a detour to the east, have succeeded in returning to their old camping grounds west of Kiahsieurn.

Banquet Is Given Japanese Squadron

(Reuter's Service)

Melbourne, Jan. 14.—Very cordial speeches were exchanged at a banquet given by the Federal Ministry today in honor of Vice-Admiral Saito and the officers of the visiting Japanese squadron.

Vice-Admiral Saito at the suggestion of the Treasurer, Dr. Earle Page, has requested Japan to send to the Australian War Museum a souvenir of the scrapped warship Abuki, which convoyed the first Australian troops to the front during the war.

Mexican Rebels Blockade Tampico

(Reuter's American Service)

El Paso, Jan. 14.—According to wireless messages, the Mexican revolutionaries claim to have blockaded Tampico. They state that their "Navy" is outside prohibiting all entry into or departure from the port, while their military forces are threatening an early attack on the land side.

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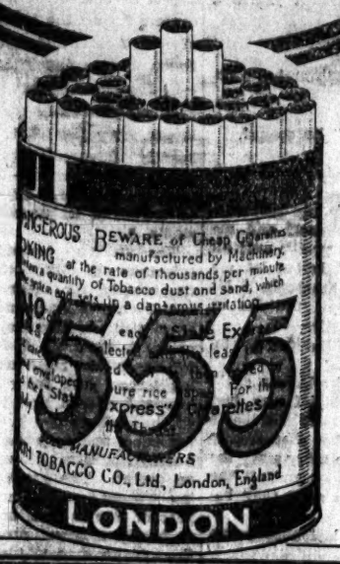

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Leacock Under The Razor: Hurting The Barber's Trade

What Happens To The Culprit Who Incautiously Admits That He Sometimes Shaves Himself

BY STEPHEN LEACOCK

"Was you to the fight the other night?" said the barber, leaning over me and speaking in his confidential whisper.

"Yes," I said. "I was there."

He saw from this that I could still speak. So he laid another thick, wet towel over my face before he spoke again.

"What did you think of it?" he asked.

But he had miscalculated. I could still make a faint sound through the wet towels. He laid on three or four more very thick ones and stood with his five finger tips pressed against my face for support. A thick steam rose about me. Through it I could hear the barber's voice and the flick-flack of the razor as he stropped it.

"Yes, sir," he went on in his quiet professional tone, punctuated with the noise of the razor. "I knowed from the start Battlin' Bugs was sure to win" (flick-flack) "as soon as I seen him that night and seen the getaway he made I knowed it (flick-flack) "and just as soon as he got the jump——"

This was more than the barber of the next chair could stand.

"Him get de jump," he cried, giving an angry dash with a full brush of soap into the face of the man under him—"him get ut-dat stiff—why, boys," he said, and he turned appealingly to the eight barbers, who all rested their elbows on the customers' faces while they listened to the rising altercation; even the manicure girl, thrilled to attention, clasped tight the lumpy hand of her client in her white digits and remained motionless—"why boys, dat lucky stiff can't no more swing a real wallop than——"

"See here," said my barber, suddenly and angrily, striking his fist emphatically on the towels that covered my face, "I'll bet you five dollars to one Bat Bugs can slam any man in his class.

"Him slam!" sneered the other, squirting a jet of blinding steam in the face of the client he was treating. "He ain't got no more punch in him than dat rag"—and he slapped a wet towel across his client's face.

All the barbers were excited now. There was a babel of talk from behind each of the eight chairs. "He can't slug!" "He can slug!" "I'll bet you ten."

Already they were losing their tempers, slapping their customers with wet towels and jabbing great brushfuls of soap into their mouths. My barber was leaning over my face with his whole body. In another minute one or the other of them would have been sufficiently provoked to have dealt his customer a blow behind the ear.

Then suddenly there was a hush.

"The boss," said one.

In another minute I could realize, though I couldn't see it, that a majestic figure in a white coat was moving down the line. All was still again except the quiet hum of the mechanical shampoo brush and the soft burble of running water.

The barber began removing the wet towels from my face one by one. He peeled them off with the professional neatness of an Egyptologist unwrapping a mummy. When he reached my face he looked searchingly at it. There was suspicion in his eye.

"Been out of town?" he questioned.

"Yes," I admitted.

"Who's been doing your work?" he asked. This question, from a barber, has no reference to one daily occupation. It means "who has been shaving you."

I knew it was best to own up I'd been in the wrong, and I meant to acknowledge it with perfect frankness.

"I've been shaving myself," I said.

My barber stood back from me in contempt. There was a distinct sensation all down the line of barbers. One of them threw a wet rag in a corner with a thud and another sent a sudden squirt from an attomizer into his customer's eyes as a mark of disgust.

My barber continued to look at me narrowly.

"What razor did you use?" he said.

"A safety razor," I answered.

The barber had begun to dash soap over my face; but he stopped—aghast.

A safety razor to a barber is like a red rag to a bull.

"If it was me," he went on, beating lather into me as he spoke, "I wouldn't let one of them things near my face. No, sir. There ain't no safety in them. They tear the hide clean off you—just rake the hair right our by the follicles." As he said this he was illustrating his meaning with jabs of his razor. "Them things just cut a man's face all to pieces" he jabbed a stick of alum against an open cut that he had made—"and as for cleanliness, for sanitation, for this here hygiene and for germs I wouldn't have them around me for a fortune."

I said nothing. I knew I had deserved it and I kept quiet.

The barber gradually subsided. Under other circumstances he would have told me something of the plans for spring training of the baseball clubs or the last items from the Jacksonville track or any of those things which a cultivated man loves to hear discussed. But I was not worth it. As he neared the end of the shaving he spoke again, this time in a confidential, almost yearning tone.

"Massage?" he said.

"No, thank you."

"Shampoo the scalp?" he whispered.

"No, thanks."

"Singe the hair," he coaxed.

"No, thanks."

The barber made one more effort.

"Say," he said in my ear, as a thing concerning himself and me alone, "your hair's pretty well all falling out. You'd better let me just shampoo up the scalp a bit and stop up them follicles or pretty soon you won't——"

"No, thank you," I said, "not today."

This was all the barber could stand. He saw that I was just one of those miserable deadbeats who come to a barber shop merely for a shave and who carry away the scalp and the follicles and all the barber's perquisites as if they belonged to them.

In a second he had thrown me out of the chair.

"Next!" he shouted.

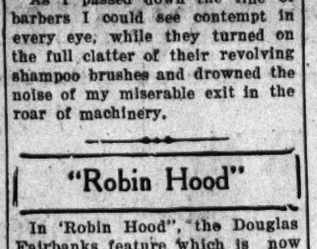
As I passed down the line of barbers I could see contempt in every eye, while they turned on the full clatter of their revolving shampoo brushes and drowned the noise of my miserable exit in the roar of machinery.

"Robin Hood"

In 'Robin Hood", the Douglas Fairbanks feature which is now being shown at the Carlton Theater, Shanghai movie fans have one of the most extravagant spectacles with a lively dash of romance that has been screened in China. The picture employs thousands of extras in picturesque Crusader ages dress, magnificent interiors and exteriors of castles as they were in the olden times, a jousting tournament that is the last word in spectacular thrills, and scenes in Sherwood Forest that are as interesting as they are artistic.

Fairbanks, ever the athlete, has full opportunity to exhibit his extraordinary powers, and takes advantage of every opportunity in a way that makes the picture a go-getter from start to finish. Wallace Beery as jovial old Richard, the Lion-Hearted, and Enid Bennett as the beautiful lady both do splendid work that assists materially in making the film the huge success it is. "Robin Hood" is worth seeing, even twice.

Special music adds to the attractiveness of the production and a one-reel film of Nantungchow, the model city of China, makes the offering at the Carlton this week 'extra-special'.



New Discovery Gives U. S. Eaters Incubator Oysters

(Foreign Press Service)

A discovery that may be even more important to Europe than it is to the United States is the method devised by the New York State Conservation Commission for raising oysters from the egg. Even as short a time ago as 1919 the commission's first experiments in this direction were ridiculed for, though a professor of Johns Hopkins had found as early as 1879 that oyster eggs could be impregnated or fertilised artificially and made to go through the first stage of their development, no means of applying this discovery in such a way as to make it commercially valuable seemed even remotely possible.

Yet the State Conservation Commission has just made a planting of the first 10,000 "synthetic" oysters, and three hundred and thirty million baby incubator oysters have been liberated at Oyster Bay and Northport on Long Island, whose southern extremity adjoins New York City. And while these young oysters are growing and fattening, the scientists who have been at work on the problems of oyster breeding are continuing their experiments to derive new types of oysters from the cross-breeding of Blue Points and Lynn Havens, Green Points and Delaware Bays—by the crossing that is, of small, exquisitely flavored oysters with larger, meatier but not so delicately flavored representatives of the oyster family—for the purpose of obtaining larger oysters of improved flavor with prettier shells.

The process devised by the scientists of the Conservation Commission for increasing the oyster crop is many million times as efficient as nature's method of breeding oysters. A female oyster, one of the most prolific of living things, lays from ten to a hundred million eggs in a season. Of these about one in a million is fertilised, and only one in about a hundred million grows up to be an oyster. The artificial fertilising process fertilises nearly ninety percent of the eggs, and promises to enable a large proportion of them to grow to maturity.

The system of making a million eggs grow where only one grew before was developed by the Conservation Commission to meet a desperate situation in the oyster industry of the United States. Since 1910 the production of cultivated oyster beds has been cut in half. Oysters have been harvested faster than they could breed naturally. Thousands of acres of oyster beds have been rendered barren. For example, the revenue of the state of Rhode Island from taxing oyster beds had been cut from $135,000 to $12,000 a year.

The process of growing them artificially promises to correct all this, to restock the barren acreage, to produce all the seed oysters that are needed, and to grow hardier and better strains of oysters.

The great difficulty in improving on nature's provisions for the survival of the oyster tribe lies in the fact that the oyster egg is so extremely small that it eludes all but the most ingenious forms of control. It is as a matter of fact only one four hundredth part of an inch in diameter, and it is not much larger in its embryonic stage. And because of this minute size, the physicial problem of changing the water so as to give growing oysters clean water and a fresh food supply proved insuperable. Anything coarse enough to filter out the impurities filtered out the oysters as well. And anything fine enough to keep in the oyster at once became clogged.

This difficulty was unsurmounted until 1920. It was the use of a centrifugalizing machine like a cream separator which overcame it. The water when it was beginning to grow stale, was put into the separator. Its 7,000 revolutions a minute, contrary to the fears of the experimentors, failed to destroy the minute organism, which clung to the walls of the separators. When the stale water was completely eliminated, the future oysters were rinsed out into clean water. Every two days this process was repeated for two weeks, by which time the larvae had grown thin transparent slivery shells and were large enough so that fresh water could be introduced and the impurities filtered out without their escaping.

The batch of young oysters just planted by the State Conservation Commission experimenters is the first large setting reared artificially. It is planned to serve these oysters on the half shell next year to oyster planters. They will then be small, as the oyster requires four or five years to reach maturity, but they will show what can be done by this method of breeding.

Oysters are the greatest American sea crop, and the annual oyster harvest of the United States is more than four-fifths that of the entire world. But in Europe too oysters have been harvested faster than they could grow, and the "synthetic" oyster may possibly replenish European oyster beds as well as the depleted American oyster hatcheries.

Each step in the development of the oyster egg has been traced by motion pictures made for the State Conservation by a former member of the staff of the American Museum of National History.

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Business and Official Notices

ORDONNANCE CONSULAIRE
No. 65

ELECTIONS MUNICIPALES

27 Decembre 1923

Nous, Auguste WILDEN, Consul General de France a Changhai, Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur.

Vu l'Article III du Reglement d'Organisation Municipale du 14 Avril 1868, modifie par les Ordonnances Consulaires du 28 Decembre 1907, du 24 Decembre 1909 et du 15 Fevrier 1919.

Avons ordonne et ordonnons:

Article I

Les elections pour le remplacement de MM. P. LE BRIS et A. TULASNE, Membres Francais et M. SPEELMAN et H. J. SHERIDAN, Membres Etrangers, arrives au terme de leur mandat, sont fixees au Mercredi, 16 Janvier mil neuf cent vingt quatre.

Le scrutin sera ouvert de dix heures du matin a six heures de l'apres-midi.

Article II

La liste electorale, dressee conformement aux dispositions des Ordonnances Consulaires des 28 Decembre 1907, 24 Decembre 1909 et 15 Fevrier 1919, sera affichee aux lieux ordinaires, tant en la Chancellerie du Consulat General de France que dans les Bureaux du Conseil d'Administration Municipale, du premier Janvier au seize Janvier mil neuf cent vingt quatre.

Article III

Toutes reclamations ou contestations pouvant se produire au subject des inscriptions d'electeurs seront judgees sommairement sans frais et sans recours par le Consul General de France Soussigne, jusqu'au quinze Janvier, mil neuf cent vingt quatre, a Midi, heure a laquelle la dite liste electorale sera irrevocablement close et arretee.

Article IV

Les Regles concernant le vote et l'eligibilite, telles qu'elles ont ete fixees par le Reglement du 14 Avril 1868, modifie par les Ordonnances Consulaires des 27 Decembre 1901, 28 Decembre 1907, 24 Decembre 1909 et 15 Fevrier 1919, devront etre appliquees.

Article V

Les fraudes et manoeuvres frauduleuses en matiere electorale seront judgees et poursuivies conformement aux dispositions de l'Art. 75 de la Loi du 28 Mai 1836.

Fait a Changhai, en l'Hotel Consulaire, le vingt sept Decembre mil neuf cent vingt trois.

Le Consul General de France.
Signe: A. WILDEN.

Pour copie certifiee conforme,
Changhai, le 27 Decembre 1923,
P. Le Consul,
Charge de la Chancellerie,
Signe: Robert H. ORLANDI.

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ORDONNANCE CONSULAIRE
No. 66

Election de Commissaires Fonciers

le 27 Decembre 1923

Nous, Auguste WILDEN, Consul General de France a Changhai, Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur.

Vu l'Ordonnance Consulaire No. 19 en date du 16 Decembre 1919, rendant executoire le Reglement d'Expropriation de la Concession Francaise de Changhai,

Vu le III de l'Art. 6 du dit Reglement.

Avons ordonne et ordonnons ce qui suit:

Des elections pour la nomination de 4 Commissaires Fonciers, 2 membres titulaires (1 Francais et 1 Etranger) et 2 membres suppleants (1 Francais et 1 Etranger) en remplacement de MM. F. SALLOU et J. M. TAVARES, Commissaires titulaires, et Ch. BARRIERE et Vyvyan DENT, Commissaires suppleants, arrives au terme de leur mandat, auront lieu en meme temps que les Elections Municipales le Mercredi, seize Janvier, mil neuf cent vingt-quatre.

Fait a Changhai, en l'Hotel Consulaire, le vingt-sept Decembre mil neuf cent vingt-trois.

Le Consul General de France.
Signe: A. WILDEN.

Pour copie certifiee conforme,
Changhai, le 27 Decembre 1923,
P. Le Consul,
Charge de la Chancellerie,
Signe: Robert H. ORLANDI.

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CONCESSION FRANCAISE DE CHANGHAI

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ELECTIONS MUNICIPALES DU 16 JANVIER 1924

Candidatures presentees au Consulat General de France:
1 Janvier 1924
P. Le Bris, Candidat Francais
R. Fano, Candidat Francais
H. J. Sheridan, Candidat Etranger
M. Speelman, Candidat Etranger

ELECTION DE COMMISSAIRES FONCIERS DU 16 JANVIER 1924

8 Janvier 1924
Ch. Barriere, Candidat Francais
F. Sallou, Candidat Francais
Vyvyan Dent, Candidat Etranger
J. M. Tavares, Candidat Etranger
Le Consul General de France,
A. WILDEN.
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Shanghai Medical Society

The regular monthly meeting of the Shanghai Medical Society will be held at the General Hospital on Thursday 17, January, at 5.30 p.m. Business:—A paper by Dr. W. S. Parsons on the "Treatment of Diabetes with Insulin."

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Shanghai Paper Hunt Club

HUNT HANDICAP

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Ponies and riders to be qualified must have been through TWO Hunts during the present season to the satisfaction of the Stewards.

Entrance Fee $2 *each entry*, together with the name of the pony and standing weight of the rider on entry form, which may be obtained at the Grand Stand, must be sent to the Secretary or placed in the Club Box at the Grand Stand not later than 7 p.m. on Saturday, January 19, 1924. Riders of placed ponies must weigh in after the event to the satisfaction of the Stewards.

In the event of any material change in weight taking place after the closing of the entries, information to that effect must be lodged with the Stewards not later than noon on the day preceeding that on which the Handicap is to be run; the Stewards reserve the right to alter the handicapping on receipt of such information.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. W. OLSEN,
Secretary,
SHANGHAI PAPER HUNT CLUB.

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NOTICE

THE NANYANG BROTHERS TOBACCO CO., LTD.

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By Order of the Board of Directors of the Nanyang Brothers Tobacco Company, Limited,
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Secretaries.

Shanghai, 15th January, 1924.

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WAN SZEE,
(Shanghai Branch).

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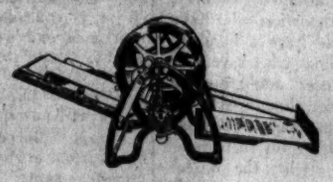

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TENDER FOR BOILER TUBES, ARCH TUBES AND BOILER FLUES

With the approval of the Ministry of Communications, the Kiaochow Tsinan Railway is hereby inviting tenders for materials mentioned above. All tenders should be marked with the words "TENDER FOR BOILER TUBES, ARCH TUBES AND BOILER FLUES" and should be sealed with sealing wax and addressed to the Managing Director, Kiaochow Tsinan Railway, Tsingtao. All tenders to be received by the Railway Administration not later than noon March 1st, 1924, and opened and publicly read at 3 p.m. of the same day in the Railway Administration Building in the presence of the delegate from the Ministry of Communications. Tenders will then be considered by the Railway and referred to the Ministry of Communications for final approval.

All tenders shall be accompanied by a deposit of NINE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($900.00) in cash or certified check from a reputable bank acceptable to the Ministry of Communications. This deposit is to be refunded to the unsuccessful tenderers after tender or tenders have been selected.

The Railway Administration reserves full right to reject any or all tenders, and to award the contract as a whole or in parts. Further, the Railway Administration does not bind itself to accept the lowest tender.

For details, specification and other informations apply to the Materials Department, Kiaochow Tsinan Railway, Tsingtao.

BY ORDER.

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Chinese Government Railway

KIAOCHOW TSINAN LINE

"TENDER FOR WOOD RAILWAY SLEEPERS"

The Public is here by notified that with the approval of the Ministry of Communications, tenders are hereby invited for the supply of Wood Railway Sleepers as under:—

A.	Railway Sleepers	22,000 pieces
B.	Crossing Timbers	2,820 „
C.	Bridge Sleepers	1,500 „

Those wishing to submit tenders are required to make a deposit of Dollars Five Hundred ($500.00) in Cash Tsingtao Currency or a Letter of Guarantee covering the required amount from any bank acceptable to the Ministry of Communications. This amount will be returned to the respective tenderers after the selection of the tender.

Tenders must be signed, sealed with sealing wax, marked on the outside of envelope "Tender for Wood Railway Sleepers," and addressed to the Materials Department, Kiaochow Tsinan Railway, Tsingtao, the same must reach the Railway before 12 o'clock noon on January 31st, 1924 and will be opened in public at 3.00 p.m. on the same day at the Railway Office in the presence of the Delegate sent by the Ministry of Communications, Peking.

Tender Forms attached with full particulars and Specifications may be obtained from the Materials Department, Kiaochow Tsinan Railway, Tsingtao.

No Tender will be entertained unless presented within the time stated and made on the Forms supplied by the Railway. The Railway does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender and reserves the right to divide the order into lots.

BY ORDER.

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Business and Official Notices

THE HUNG TSI PRIZE TICKET

Notice is hereby given that the tickets for the above lottery are now on sale by the authority of Defence-Commissioner of Woosung and Shanghai. There are in all 24000 tickets and the price of each is $10.00. The drawing will take place on 24th January, 1924 in Shanghai. There will be one thousand prizes. The first prize will be to the value $100,000 (Dollars one hundred thousand). The amount to be distributed in prizes will exceed $200,000 (Dollars two hundred thousand). The prize consists of, valuable articles, such as beautiful embroidery, pictures, books which are classics either to this or by-gone ages, old earthen-ware, carved articles, black-wood furnitures of first quality, diamonds, pearls, etc. The prizes are now on view and can be inspected at No. Q.420, North Chengtu Road, Shanghai. Admission is free.

Ladies and Gentlemen, lose no time, and buy one or more of the above-mentioned tickets; and may good luck attend you!

Tickets can be purchased at any lottery Ticket Shops in Shanghai.

Head Office: 43, Ming Koh Road, Nantao.

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Important Notice

The undersigned Bank has terminated its business as from the 8th moon of the Kwei Han year, (癸亥年) all debit and credit accounts have already been settled. Lest the public should not take note of the matter, this notice is especially given.

Wai Dai Bank 滙大莊
265, Broadway, Shanghai

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NOTICE

This is to give notice that I am today removing my residence to 1369 Rue Lafayette (Tel. W. 4480), and may be consulted there every day (except Sundays) from 2-3 p.m.

Office hours at 11B Nanking Road remain the same—11-1 and 4-6 (except Sundays).

DR. MED. A. RENNER
Shanghai 1st January, 1924.

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NOTICE

The Association of Allan and Hartigan, Attorneys-at-Law, 12 Jinkee Road, is discontinued. From this date my business will be carried on by me at 32 Jinkee Road, under the name of Arthur S. Allan.

ARTHUR S. ALLAN.

Shanghai, January 12, 1924.

64779 J 16

NOTICE

The public to hereby notified that a fixed Deposit Receipt of the National Industrial Bank of China, Shanghai, No. 209 for $2,700 in the Name of Tsu Pao Kee (記博朱) has been lost or stolen and has (from this day on) it is declared null and void.

朱博記
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The Hoong On S. N. Co's Steamer Teh-hsing Captain T. S. Chia, will leave from the Ningshao Wharf, Chinese Bund, Nantao, on Friday the 18th, Jan. at about 12 o'clock (midnight) Passage Money, Shanghai to Hankow, $40 single and $60 return. For Freight or Passage apply to office of the Company, No. 2 Szechuen Road. Telephones Freight 1520 Passage 3283.

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NOTICE

The undersigned have as from the eighth day of January 1924 acquired the business formerly carried on by Messrs Schiller and Company at No. 9 Ezra Road and No. 6 Muirhead Road together with the goodwill thereof and will carry on business at those addresses until further notice. We recognise no responsibility for the debts of Messrs Schiller & Company.

The telephone numbers will remain as before.

Dated the 11th day of January 1924.

S. STROM,
STROM & COMPANY,
Successors to Schiller & Company.

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Moral Welfare League

The Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 16th, in the Hall of the Royal Asiatic Society, 5 Museum Road, Chair to be taken at 5:30 p.m. by

REV. C. M. DRURY,

A cordial invitation is extended to all friends sympathetic to the work of the League.

I, MASON
Secretary.

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S.S. "President Grant" From Manila and Hongkong

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

EXAMINATION of ship's damaged cargo ex the s.s. "President Grant" will be held at the China Merchants Central Wharf on Wednesday, January 16th, at 9.30 a.m., when Messrs. Eisler Reeves and Murphy, Marine Surveyors, will be in attendance.

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S.S. "PAUL REGENDANZ"
from Hamburg and Antwerp

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

Examination of broken and ship damaged cargo will be held at the Kaiyosha Yangtze Wharf Pootung on January 19th at 10 a.m., when Messrs. Carmichael Lennox and Gray will be in attendance.

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LOST

A native Order, No. 19361, for Taels 1184.82, due 10th day of 12th moon, issued by the Heng Tang Bank (衡通莊) has been lost. Besides having notified the said Bank to register the loss and cease payment, we hereby warn the public, also in the Sin Wan Pao and Shun Pao, not to negotiate or cash the cancelled Order.

Mitsubishi Sheji Kaisha, Ltd.
Shanghai

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NOTICE
IMPORTANT AUCTION SALE.

The Pootung Property of Reiss & Co. (Reiss Bros. Ltd. in Liquidation) comprising Six Brick built Godowns, Office etc. situated on the Pootung Side of the Whangpoo River opposite the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf property (old Ningpo Wharf) and comprising in area about 42 mow with a river frontage of 325 feet will be *sold by auction in the month of March.* Further particulars will be advertised in due course.

11th January 1924.
E. M. ROSS, C. A.
Liquidator.

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No. 71

No other Medicated Throat Pastille has such a hold upon the public. At the first sign of soreness or irritation relieve your throat with a "No: 71." Keep a box in the house. Your Chemist stocks "Allenburys" No: 71.

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KIAOCHOW TSINAN LINE
TENDER FOR STEEL PLATE GIRDERS
:O:

With the approval of the Ministry of Communications, this invitation is made to suppliers to submit their tenders on Steel Plate Girders, as follows: —

ORDER NO. 1	5-Thru Plate Girders	of 30 M. Span
	2-Deck Plate Girders	of 30 M. Span
	3-Thru Plate Girders	of 15 M. Span
ORDER NO. 2	6-Thru Plate Girders	of 30 M. Span
	2-Deck Plate Girders	of 30 M. Span
	9-Thru Plate Girders	of 20 M. Span
	1-Deck Plate Girders	of 20 M. Span
	11-Deck Plate Girders	of 15 M. Span

All Plate Girders grouped under Order No. 1 shall be delivered fabricated not later than 4½ months after contract has been signed. All Plate Girders under Order No. 2 shall be delivered fabricated not later than the time specified in the tender.

Tenders must be signed, sealed with sealing wax, marked on the outside of envelope "TENDER FOR STEEL PLATE GIRDERS" with the names of the tenderers and addressed to the Managing Director, Kiaochow-Tsinan Railway Tsingtau. All tenders must reach the Railway Office before 12 o'clock noon on the 29th March, 1924, and same shall be opened and publicly read in the Railway Office in the presence of a Delegate from the Ministry of Communications, Peking, selected tender or tenders shall be referred to the Ministry of Communications for final approval.

All tenders shall be accompanied by a DEPOSIT of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000) in cash, Tsingtau Currency, or certified check covering same amount from a reputable bank acceptable to the Ministry of Communications, same deposit will be returned to the respective tenderers after the selection of the tender, but that of the successful tenderer may be used as a portion of the required guarantee deposit for a contract.

In case the selected tenderer or tenderers announce his or their inability to supply the materials or fail to call at the Railway Office for the signing of a contract within a stated period after the announcement of the selection of tender, his or their deposit made at the time of tendering shall beforfeited, and his or their tenders cancelled.

A fee of $25.00 in cash shall be charged for Specifications and drawings which are obtainable at the Head Office of the Railway, Tsingtau.

No tenders will be entertained unless presented within the time stated and made on the Forms supplied by the Railway. The Railway does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender, and reserves the right to divide the order into lots.

By Order.

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WEATHER

The depression will move Eastwards and reach Southern Japan. Rough weather and cyclonic circulation between the Yellow and the Eastern Seas. Rather strong monsoon in the South. Overcast and colder weather.

(No telegrams from Japan, probably because of the earthquake).

DEATH

STELLINGWERFF. On January 15th, 1924, at No. 1 Route Voyron, Shanghai, Herbert John, the dearly beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Stellingwerff, aged 2 years. Interment at Bubbling Well Cemetery today, the 16th instant, at 11 a.m.

6485 J.16

China And The "Brink Of The Precipice"

A CORRESPONDENT who signed himself "Chinophil" whose contribution appeared on this page of the *China Press* yesterday stated that a recent speaker before the American Woman's Club had drawn a too serious picture of China by saying that "China was on the brink of a precipice—and that it had always been so." The speaker before the American Woman's club, as we remember the address, quoted the venerable American missionary Dr. Arthur H. Smith of Peking who made this statement originally in an address in Shanghai some seven years ago. Dr. Smith has been in China if we remember correctly about 50 years and his two books, "Chinese Characteristics," and "Village Life in China," although written about 1890 are still generally true of modern day conditions in China and are also still widely read abroad.

"Chinophil" also makes the statement, "I can remember numerous journeys (in the interior) without the slightest thought of danger, along routes where attention from robbers would be certain now. As regards lawlessness, I should say there is a greater difference between the state of China 20 years ago and now, than between the condition of U. S. A. and China 20 years ago." There have of course, thank goodness, been periods of peace in China, but so far as can be determined they were merely breathing spells between conflicts. There has never been government, that is government based upon the consent of the people who pay the taxes, in the sense which we or the world generally knows it. Twenty years ago in America would carry us back to the days of Roosevelt's presidency and in China to the period immediately following the Boxer rebellion. China was peaceful then and traved in the interior was more or less safe, for reasons not necessary to repeat, and from the standpoint of conditions in America there was considerable disturbance in certain circles of high finance owing to Roosevelt's trust "busting" activities, but outside of that America was pretty generally a peaceful place to live in even for the thousands of Chinese who resided there.

We mention this point of comparing conditions in China with those existing in other lands because of a tendency on the part of a considerable number of foreigners and also Chinese of the student classes to belittle the serious China situation by pointing to similar periods in the histories of other lands, especially America. One favorite Chinese illustration which is often used is a comparison of the present China period with the period in American history immediately following the Peace of Paris September, 1783, by which American independence was recognised. Since the American constitution was not ratified until 1788 and the period intervening was one of great uncertainty with the various colonies jealous of each other and in some cases arming against each other, Chinese who have dipped superficially into American history have pointed their fingers and said: "Why be impatient with us, when you went through the same trouble."

Now comparisons are always dangerous and we do admit that America had a hard time getting started, but the federal constitution was ratified and *legally ratified* within five years after independence. The problems confronting the United States were almost insurmountable, but they were worked out and a central government established because of the self-sacrificing work of such men as George Washington, Alexander Hamilton, Benjamin, Franklin, Thomas Jefferson and James Madison. This list could be greatly added to and still not cover those who stood ready to and in many cases did sacrifice their all for the common good. They did not always agree among themselves and the reports of their addresses show that the differences were acute and the debates fiery, but through it all there was a strain of sincere patriotism and feeling for the common good that makes inspiring reading today. Where do we find this in China today? A summary of the serious declarations of China's present day leaders if available, would provide most interesting comparisons. For example, General Lu Yung-hsiang of Chekiang Province might be quoted on his refusal to abide by the treaties because he is governor of an independent province. General Che Shih-yuan at Nanking might be quoted on his recent statement that he would keep the peace of this district if General Ho would get out of Shanghai. General Wu Pei-fu might be quoted in his recent conversation with Sir Robert Hotung that he favored a peace conference but not until he had licked Kwangtung and Szechuen into shape. General Chang Tso-lin at Mukden might be quoted to the effect that he intended to keep the rolling stock of the Chinese Government railways in his district until he gets what he wants from the Peking Government and Dr. Sun Yat-sen might be quoted in his recent messages to the "peasants" of America and the Labor Party in England advocating a world revolution because the Powers refused to permit him to seize the customs funds. And lastly we might quote the public statement of Mr. Wu Ching-lien, speaker of the House of Representatives at Peking on the ingratitude of the President in refusing to nominate Wu for the premiership, after he (Wu) had bought the Presidency for Tsao Kun.

Of course it is not all hopeless, but the trouble is that the real patriots are in such a hopeless minority that they have not yet been able to make their voices heard or their influence felt in the midst of the almost universal spirit of selfishness and hatred which exists among the men who are really running the country. Persons who desire to make comparisons of China conditions with those in other lands would be on reasonably safe grounds if they would limit their comparisons to countries wherein the general state of illiteracy and general economic conditions are somewhat similar to conditions prevailing in China today.

The Refugee Question

IT is with considerable pleasure that we note the advent to Shanghai of Dr. James A. Grieg commissioned by the League of Nations to investigate the matter of the Russian refugee in China and to discover, if possible, means of alleviating the present deplorable situation. We have already dealt with the question at some length in this column, when we commented on the difficulty of arriving at any solution calculated to have a lasting effect in the nature of helping destitute Russians to more favorable locations, and the prevention of an accretion of the numbers in our midst likely to result from any action which while giving help, failed to close our borders against the influx of others.

The only two solutions in sight at the present moment consist of repatriation and assisted emigration. Repatriation seems the most logical step to take, but action in this respect is limited by the consideration that we cannot and should not repatriate any Russian who does not desire to return to his own country. And we venture to think that the greater proportion who have left their native land of their own choice would have a hundred and one reasons for not desiring to return. Those who have fled from what they conceive to be evil circumstances ought not to be sent back for the convenience of other people, though we are prepared to concede the point that if these people can be secured by effective guarantees from being victimised either for their political convictions, or the fact of their original flight, the objection which we here raise might have to be very considerably modified.

Possibly emigration to countries where vast spaces await the toiler, may be good for those physically and mentally fitted for the work of pioneers. And to this extent we should be prepared to support any scheme which would assist the emigration of those best fitted to derive benefit therefrom for themselves and confer benefit on the country which ultimately gave them shelter. But here again we doubt whether such a scheme would do more than somewhat alleviate present conditions: for so many refugees in China are wholly unfitted for the work which early years in a strange undeveloped country would entail. Before such a scheme could be put into operation the closest watch would have to be established that the vacancies in our midst thus created were not immediately filled by others from Russia, anxious to take advantage of such a means to reach countries otherwise unattainable, for it would be undoubtedly better for us here, to keep those we have already got with us, rather than make this port a jumping off place for assisted emigration. This would be undoubtedly the case if the borders of China could not be effectively shut against the ingress of other Russians.

It would be impossible to make China water-tight against the Russian without the effective co-operation of the Chinese government and while we have very little doubt that this would be given us in principle, we have yet to be assured that in practice it would be real enough to achieve the end desired. For these reasons we are inclined to favor some scheme of repatriation, but only in circumstances where it is made reasonably certain that the people sent back would in no way suffer for the patent evidence their flight has given of disagreement with those at present in authority in Russia.

Premier Sun Pao-Chi's Hopes

THE despatch sent out from Peking by the Eastern News Agency relative to Sun Pao-chi's profession of faith is no more interesting than similar missives published broadcast when any new premier is appointed in China. For the most part it is nothing better than an expression of pious hopes, for the readjustment of internal differences and the unification of the country, the enforcement of the increased customs tariff, the abolition of consular jurisdiction, and the elevation of China's international status. We are more interested in the desire to have consular jurisdiction abolished and the statement that he will aim in that direction, but in existing circumstances it would seem that Sun Pao-chi has quite a distance to go before this dream is realised. Possibly a recognition of that fact leads him to place this particular item in the order in which it is found—namely, last but one. For even most Chinese, especially those about the seat of government must realise that the state of China at the present moment is not such as would justify any but the most ardent optimist, in believing that much concession in this respect will be made by the foreign powers.

We would like to see Mr. Sun achieve even one half of the things he desires. It would not only redound to his own reputation, but enhance China's in the world at large. And even if he only succeeded in bringing about the first item in his program he would have done considerably more than any of his predecessors in the important office he is now holding. For unification is the one thing necessary for the country at this juncture; some of the other ends he has in view will follow as a natural corrollary, for we have no doubt that if the contending elements in China could sink their differences sufficiently to heal present schisms, they would be able speedily to effect most of the other designs he has in view.

By Dr. Henry Van Dyke

Evergreens—The Royal Law

I.

"And the boughs thereof were like cedars of God."—Ps. 80:10.

Most of the trees of Palestine, the oak, the terebinth and the sycamore, the fig, the mulberry and the almond tree, are deciduous.

But one, and that the noblest of them all, is an evergreen.

The cedar of Lebanon stands loftily upon the mountain, fearing neither height of precipice nor depth of snow, stretching out broad boughs as if to welcome all beneath its layers of unfailing shade.

When you have seen one of these trees upon its royal throne you know what the psalmist meant when he said of the prospering vine of Israel that its boughs were like the cedars of God.

There is something divinely majestic about the great evergreens.

A forest filled with their pillared trunks has the air of a temple.

I know a grove of silver pines at the Sidney Lanier camp in Maine the lightest murmur of whose whispering leaves invites to worship.

Amid the brighter foliage of summer the evergreens look somber and monotonous, but their cool aisles are a shelter from the burning heat.

And in the bare winter they offer an unchanging retreat.

Not of the cedars of Lebanon only would I chant the praise.

Knowing the lofty forests of the west, I would sing psalms of the Douglas fir trees and the yellow pines of God.

II.

"The royal law . . . . Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."—James 2:8.

This law as it stands, with its double duty of the right love of oneself and the equal love of one's neighbor, has been already considered in these papers.

Perhaps we may come back to it again, for it is the most important of all practical directions, as well as the most difficult to read and interpret correctly.

If I could do that I should be wiser than I know myself to be.

But for today let us concern ourselves only with the question of why St. James calls this the royal law.

Is it because Christ gave it?

But he gave also many other commandments and He is still giving them through His spirit.

Is it because kings always keep it?

But some of them have not kept it at all and few of them have always observed it. I think it may be because it corresponds to the true ideal of what royalness means.

For only he is fit to rule men who loves them and desires their welfare as much as he values his own high place.

I think it may be also because if this law were kept it would make all men royal, since where all are servants one of another, all are kings, too.

This is what St. Peter means when he writes:

"Ye are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation."

Our Literary Column

EXCERPTS FROM GREAT WRITERS

By Mathy

DON'T LET THE YEARS COUNT

"The face cannot betray the years until the mind has given its consent. The mind is the sculptor."

"Better than the art of growing old gracefully is the secret of not growing old at all," says a writer in the Chicago Journal. 'It is something worth knowing and worth remembering. The secret is concealed in the fact that men and women are as old as they make themselves to be. That implies will power, but what of it? The world is governed by will power."

George Meredith, on the celebration of his seventy-fourth birthday, said: "I do not feel that I am growing old either in heart or mind. I still look on life with a young man's eye. I have always hoped that I would not grow old as some, with a palsied intellect, living backward, regarding other people as anachronisms, because they themselves have lived on in the other time and left their sympathies behind them with their years."

When a man becomes wise enough to recognise his own divinity—that he is as indestructible a principle as a law of mathematics; that no accident of life, no friction, trouble, or difficulty can touch the divine part of him; and when he recognises the truth of being, that he is a part of the infinite creative principle, he will not begin to show signs of mental and physical decrepitude when he should be in the prime of all his powers.

Age will never succeed in retaining a youthful appearance and mentality until people make up their minds not to let the years count; until they cease to make the body old by constant suggestions of the mind. We begin to sow seed thoughts of age in youth. We look forward to being old at forty-five, and to going down hill at fifty.

The very act of preparing for old age hastens it. As Job said, "The thing I feared most has come upon me." People who prepare for a thing and look for it, anticipating, fearing, dreading it in their daily lives, usually get it.

"Any person continually in fear of something will bear the marks of such fear graven in his or her face," says Prentice Mulford. "If you so look forward to such decay of the body as a thing that must come, it will come."

Never for a moment allow yourself to think that you are too old to do this or that, for your thoughts and convictions will very soon outpicture themselves in a wrinkled face and a prematurely old expression. There is nothing better established than the philosophy that we are what we think, and that we become like our thoughts.

"How old are you" asks the Milwaukee Journal. "The adage is that women are as old as they look and men as old as they feel. That's wrong. A man and a woman are as old as they make themselves to be. Growing old is largely a habit of the mind. 'As a man thinketh in his heart so is he.' If he begins shortly after middle age to image himself growing old, he will be old. To keep oneself from decrepitude is somewhat a matter of will power. The fates are kind to the man who hangs onto life with both hands. He who lets go will go. Death is slow to tackle only the tenacious. Ponce de Leon searched in the wrong place for the fountain of youth. It is oneself. One must keep oneself young 'nside, so that while 'the outer man perisheth the inner man is renewed day by day.' When the human mind ceases to exert itself, when there is no longer an active interest in the affairs of this life, when the human stops reading and thinking and doing, the man, like a blasted tree, begins to die at the top. You are as old as you think you are. Keep the harness on. Your job is not done."

China's Unique Altar

It Is A Most Impressive Conception

BY DR. FRANK CRANE

The greatest religious building on earth, in my opinion, is the Altar of Heaven, in the city of Peking, China.

I have seen most of the edifices men have put up to the glory of God. But all of them fall by a large measure to approach, in majesty and purity of conception, in sheer grandeur, in the suggestiveness of divinity, and in downright beauty and artistic appropriateness, this imposing materpiece of China.

In the first place, it isn't a house at all. It is of the open air, and its roof is the sky.

You cannot get God inside four walls and a roof. Limitations, roofs of any kind, are absurd. The universe cannot contain Him. And this altar reminds you of that.

Around about is a great park, full of secular trees. You penetrate this wood, and come to a vast inclosure surrounded by a low wall, capped with blue tiles.

Every church ought to be in a grove of trees, or by the many-voiced sea. There ought to be something about every religious structure to rebuke provincialism, to suggest the infinite.

Within the great square, inclosed by this outerwall, is a circular space inclosed by another wall.

Within this is the altar. I shall not attempt to describe it. You can find the details in any guide book.

Suffice it to say, it is about the simplest thing imaginable, and about the sort of thing any one would suppose an altar to be.

There is first a large circular platform, within and upon this another, and still another, three gigantic stages leading to the top is a wide, flat space, paved with great stones, and contains that most impressive of all things in heaven or earth—

Nothing.

There you are, on the top of the world's greatest altar; around you are great trees; above you is the blue heaven, with its drifting white clouds.

In the days of the empire, the emperor used to sacrifice here. Even he did not ascend to the top, but stood on the grade below. On top were only the sacrifices, below chosen of the flocks, of the fields and of the goods made by men.

The sacrificial ceremony used to take place just before dawn. It must have been an impressive sight; the emperor praying for his throng of nobles in full array, and above them the brooding silence of the sky.

I know of no place where I have felt nearer to Divinity. Beside the simple majesty of this, St. Peter's at Rome looks like an opera house, the pyramids of Egypt are toys, the Pantheon at Athens seems an affectation.

It must have been indeed a great and noble race that could produce such a thing, a singularly clear genius that could have conceived it. It is "The Hallelujah Chorus" in stone.

Some day when sectarianism and the strife of theologians shall have been spent, and the world turns from the contention of logic to that "unity of the spirit which is the bond of peace," there shall gather about this Altar of Heaven a multitude of every race and clime, and lift their voices in one magnificent chorus of praise to the One God of all the Earth.

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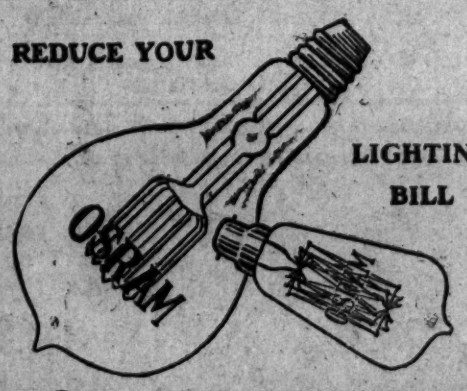

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Health: An Economic Asset

BY A. C. SELMON, M.D.

The human element, as represented in the expenditure of muscular or mental energy, is a factor in the cost of all commodities. A high state of efficiency in all those who have any part in production will result in lowering the net cost of the articles produced. Better, faster, more efficient and more lasting machinery always lowers manufacturing costs. The worth of a machine is judged by whether it will produce an income over and above the cost of its manipulation, upkeep and replacement. To develop machines that will accomplish this has required a great deal of study to determine what is required in order to secure the maximun output and greatest durability. It is passing strange that while neither time, effort nor money has been spared in producing high grade machinery, yet man as a factor in production has not been given as much attention as the machines he tended.

Previous to the days of workmen's compensation and disability insurance, the place of the disabled employee was quickly filled by another, and the employers not being called upon to pay sick benefits, did not take further thought that frequent labor turnover is in itself a heavy loss to any business. The ever widening scope of industrial insurance legislation has put upon the employer a large measure of responsibility for the health of every one he employs. This has brought the whole subject of the monetary value of health into the limelight. But it required the shock of a World War, fully to awaken the nation to the value of sound bodies and sound minds and to a fuller appreciation of the fact, as expressed by former President Taft that, "human vitality lies at the foundation of national strength". This great physical tryout revealed a startling state of affairs. The reports of the Provost Marshal's office show, that of the men called up in the first draft 38 percent were found physically unfit for military service. The first draft included the young men, the very flower of the country. This high percentage of physical impairment found among these young man has served to stir up a real movement to conserve the human machine.

WAGE LOSS $400,000,000

One way to show the monetary value of health is by considering the economic loss, resulting from ill health. A wide range of statistics may be adduced in evidence. The U. S. Employees Compensation Commission's statistician, C. R. Verrill, has compiled data showing that in the U. S. upon a conservative estimate, the wage losses to workers from industrial accidents during a single year are in excess of $400,000,000. Not to exceed 25 percent of this is made good by compensation benefits. But regardless of what percent of this is covered by liability insurance, the state as an industrial society loses this whole amount from the sum total of its potential wealth.

During the nineteen months of our participation in the World War, 50,000 American soldiers lost their lives, while during the same period in the home land 126,000 men, women and children met death from accidents which in most cases could have been prevented. Every twelve months there are over 500,000 accidents in which the individual is disabled for one month or longer. Needless to say compensation can meet but a small part of the loss entailed by the injuring of this army of people. Not only does the injured man cease to become a producer, but he and those dependent upon him must have help from relatives, or public or private charitable organizations. Out of this number who are seriously injured every year there are 100,000 who remain permanently partially disabled. To the 500,000 who are seriously injured, must be added 20,000 deaths and 2,500,000 temporary injuries a year from industrial accidents. Those who are disabled either temporarily or permanently must on account of decreased income lower their scale of living, their children must be taken out of school and put to work, thus curtailing their education, impairing their physical and mental development and swelling the army of the physically unfit.

TOLL OF TUBERCULOSIS

It is no longer necessary to base arguments in support of movements for the conservation of human life and improvement of the public health solely upon humanitarian motives, however worthy and defensible these are. The waste of human life through untimely death or disabling disease is an economic loss which may be estimated in tangible figures in many cases.

The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company and the National Tuberculosis Association have made studies showing the cost of tuberculosis. These studies showed that if tuberculosis were eliminated and all other causes of death continued at the rates now prevailing, that three and a half years would be added to the life span of every white male, and that two and a half years would be added to the life expectancy of the general population of the entire country. The attempt was also made to show what this loss in expectation of life represents in terms of estimated money losses. Economists by examining the available data on wealth income and production, estimate that a loss of one year of life is equivalent to a money loss of $100 in national wealth. Since tuberculosis subtracts two and a half years from the life span of each individual the loss for one person would be $250, and for a population of 106 millions it would total 26 and a half billion dollars. This means that the generation of Americans now living would add this much more to the national wealth if tuberculosis were entirely eradicated. Taking 50 years as the average lifetime in the U. S., the yearly loss from this one disease is in excess of 500 million dollars. These figures moreover do not represent the grand total, because in them no account is taken of the long period of disability caused by tuberculosis ere death closes the scene. Taking the health department reports of New York City as a basis, there are in the whole country more than half a million persons constantly ill with tuberculosis.

DAILY 3 PERCENT LOSS

Floyd W. Parsons says that every morning when the whistles blow in our American industrial plants, 3 percent of the employees fail to report on account of sickness or industrial accident. Among the several thousand employees of a large corporation in the Western part of the United States, the annual loss of time on account of sickness averaged 8 days a year. The estimated average yearly loss of time on account of sickness for the whole adult population is over 7 days. In Professor Irving Fisher's report on National Vitality, issued in 1909, he estimated that 3,000,000 persons were seriously ill at all times in the United States, and that 42 percent of this illness was preventable. Others who have given study to the percentage of sickness and accidents that are preventable give much higher figures than Professor Fisher.

There is now enough accurate data available, so that it is no longer necessary to depend wholly on estimates, to determine what percent of the grand total of sickness and injuries could be prevented. In Framingham, Massachusetts, by the help of a fund supplied by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, an attempt is being made to ascertain what can be done in the way of eradicating tuberculosis from a community. During the 7 years that have elapsed since the experiment stated, the annual tuberculosis mortality in this city has been reduced to 40 deaths per 100,000 of the population. The mortality from this disease in the United States as a whole is 100 per 100,000. If the same preventive and curative measures as used in Framingham were in effect throughout the country, it would mean that more than 60,000 fewer people would die from the Great White Plague every year; and not only would 60,000 lives be saved, but the sum total of physical disability caused by tuberculosis would be reduced 60 percent.

A certain industrial corporation, with 50,000 men and women on its payroll, during the first year after installing safety appliances and making use of educational methods, etc., reduced accidents 71 percent. If like results were achieved in all the industries in America, it would mean that instead of the 500,000 people who are so seriously injured each year that they are crippled for life or lose over a month of a time, there would be less than 150,000. The removal of even minor handicaps is promptly evidenced by increased efficiency. Dr. Fisk of the Life Extension Institute, shows how in the Whiting Davis Company, where a large amount of close, fine work is done, correcting faulty eyesight increased productivity 28 percent.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENTS

From such experiences as I have cited, it may be seen what large returns have accured from expenditures on industrial hygiene and preventive medicine. The modern life insurance companies and other business enterprises, have on the staff physicians and nurses whose chief function is the prevention of injury and disease. The medical departments which they started as an experiment, are being continued as an essential part of the business, because they have proved to be a profitable investment.

Any attempt to express in monetary terms the estimated loss from injury and sickness in China could only be a wild guess. But data from Western countries can be a basis upon which to start. It is probably safe to say that the time lost on account of sickness would be several fold more, while that lost by accident might be somewhat lower on account of the much smaller amount of machinery here. But life is so cheap in China that no attempt is even made to record either the death rate or the incidence of accidents and disease. Heads of business enterprises having large numbers of Chinese on the payroll not only find that the time lost in a year on account of sickness is much more than the average in the United States, but also that the efficiency of a large percentage of the employees is very low, because of physical impairments such as defective eyesight, poorly developed physique, etc. It is certain that any expenditure made here for preventive medicine and constructive health work will yield returns as great proportionately as it has in America.

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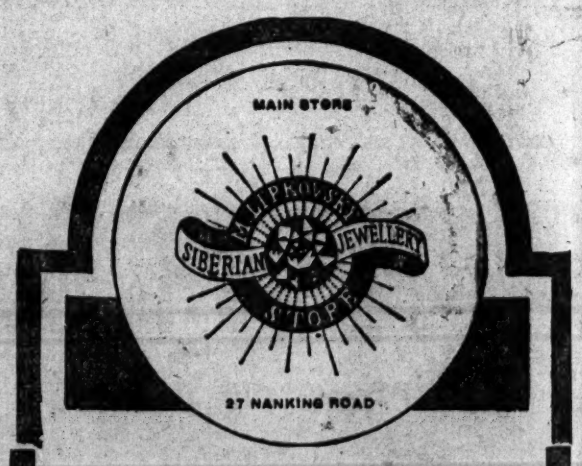

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HANKOW & PORTS.—The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s S.S. SUIWO, 2,671 Tons, Captain Jackson, will sail for the above-mentioned ports from Hunt's Wharf on Thurdsay, January 17, at about midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers. Te. C. 241. Extensions to Freight and Passenger Departments.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Str. KIANGYU, Capt. Johannssen will leave on Friday, January 18, at midnight. For Freight or Passage apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Str. KIANGYUNG, Captain Smith, will leave on Sunday, January 20, at midnight. For Freight or Passage apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s S.S. KUTWO, 2,664 Tons, Captain Christie, will sail for the above-mentioned ports from Hunt's Wharf on Monday, January 21, at about midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers. Telephone: Central 241. Extensions to Freight and Passenger Departments.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s S.S. LOONGWO, 3,925 Tons, Captain Holmwood, will sail for the above-mentioned ports from Hunt's Wharf on Tuesday, January 22, at about midnight. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers. Telephone: Central 241. Extensions to Freight and Passenger Departments.

HANKOW & PORTS.—The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s S.S. PINGWO, 2,671 Tons, Captain Pullew, will sail for the above-mentioned ports from Hunt's Wharf on Wednesday, Jan. 23, at about midnight. For Freight apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., General Managers. Telephone Central 241. Extension to Freight Department.

For Southern Ports

HONGKONG.—The Canadian Pacific Steamships, Limited s.s. EMPRESS OF RUSSIA will leave Woosung on Wednesday, Jan. 16. The tender Alexandra will leave the Customs Jetty for Woosung with passengers and mail at 11.30 a.m. For Passage or Freight, apply to the Agents, Hongkong Bank Building, 12 Bund, Phone C. 5581.

NINGPO.—The steamer HSIN KIANGTEEN, Captain Randbye, will leave on Thursday, Jan. 17, at 4:30 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

FOOCHOW.—The Str. HSIN-CHI, Capt. Hansen, will leave on Thursday morning, January 17. For Freight or Passage, apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

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HONGKONG & CANTON.—The Str. KWANGLEE, Capt. Crawford, will leave on Friday morning, Jan. 18. For Freight or Passage, apply to C.M.S.N. Co.

For Northern Ports

TIENTSIN Direct.—The Kailan Mining Administrations, will despatch the steamer KWANGPING, on January 17, 1924. For Freight or Passage, apply to Agent, 12 The Bund. Tel. Central 317.

TSINGTAO & DAIREN.—The O.S.K.'s Cargo and Passenger Steamer KOHOKU MARU, 5,000 tons, Capt. M. Miyata, will be despatched from O.S.K. Wharf on January 17, at ——— For Freight or Passage, apply to THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, No. 2 Canton Road. Phone C. 4234.

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RIVER PORTS

The I-C. s.s. Suiwo left Hankow on Sunday and is due in Shanghai today.

The C.N. s.s. Whangpu left Hankow on Sunday and is due in Shanghai today.

The I-C. s.s. Waishing will arrive from Pukow this afternoon.

The C.M. s.s. Kiangyu left Hankow on Monday and is due in Shanghai tomorrow.

The I-C. s.s. Tuckwo left Hankow on Monday and is due in Shanghai tomorrow.

The C.N. s.s. Tungting left Hankow on Monday and is due in Shanghai tomorrow.

The C.M. s.s. Kiangyung left Hankow yesterday and is due in Shanghai next Friday.

The C.N. s.s. Woosung left Hankow yesterday and is due in Shanghai next Friday.

The C.M. s.s. Kianghsin will leave Hankow today and is due in Shanghai on Saturday.

The I-C. s.s. Kutwo will leave Hankow today and is due in Shanghai on Saturday.

The C.N. s.s. Tatung will leave Hankow today and is due in Shanghai on Saturday.

The C.F. s.s. Kianghsin will leave Hankow tomorrow and is due in Shanghai on Sunday.

The I-C. s.s. Loongwo, will leave Hankow tomorrow and is due in Shanghai on Sunday.

The C.N. s.s. Ngankin will leave Hankow tomorrow and is due in Shanghai on Sunday.

SOUTHERN PORTS

The C.N. s.s. Sinkiang left Hongkong on Saturday and is due in Shanghai today.

The I-C. s.s. Taksang left Hongkong on Friday and is due in Shanghai via Swatow today.

The I-C. s.s. Kwongsang left Hongkong on Sunday and is due in Shanghai via Swatow next Friday.

The C.N. s.s. Shansi left Hongkong on Sunday and is due in Shanghai tomorrow.

The C.N. s.s. Pakhoi left Hongkong yesterday and is due in Shanghai next Saturday.

The I-C. s.s. Fooshing is due in Shanghai from Hongkong today.

The C.M. s.s. Irene left Foochow on Monday and is due in Shanghai today.

The C.N. s.s. Soochow will leave Hongkong tomorrow and is due in Shanghai on Monday.

The C.M. s.s. Haean is expected to leave Foochow tomorrow and is due in Shanghai on Saturday.

NORTHERN PORTS

The C.N. s.s. Shuntien left Tientsin on Sunday and is due in Shanghai via Chefoo and Weihaiwei today.

The C.N. s.s. Liangchow will leave Tsingtao today and is due in Shanghai on Friday.

The K.M.A. s.s. Kialee (chartered) left Chinwangtao on Sunday and is due in Shanghai today.

The C.N. s.s. Chungking will leave Tientsin tomorrow and is due in Shanghai via Chefoo and Weihaiwei on Sunday.

The D.K.K. s.s. Sakaki Maru is due in Shanghai from Dairen and Tsingtao tomorrow morning, and docks at the Whangpoo Wharf. The steamer will sail for Tsingtao and Dairen at 10 o'clock Friday morning.

JAPAN PORTS

The N.Y.K. s.s. Yamashiro Maru is due in Shanghai from Osaka, Kobe and Moji today, and docks at the N. Y. K. Mail Wharf.

The N.Y.K. s.s. Nagasaki Maru is due in Shanghai from Nagasaki tomorrow morning, and docks at the Wayside Wharf. The steamer will sail for the same port at daybreak Friday.

INDIAN LINES

The P. and O. s.s. Soudan was to leave Bombay for Shanghai via ports at 5 o'clock last evening.

EUROPEAN LINES

The P. and O. s.s. Neidera was due to leave London on Friday, and is expected to arrive in Shanghai about February 12.

The M.M. s.s. Chili was due to leave Marseilles for Shanghai via ports on Friday.

The Blue Funnel s.s. Ixion left Singapore on January 7, and is due in Shanghai via Hongkong tomorrow.

The P. and O. s.s. Karmala, from London on December 21, was expected to leave Colombo on Sunday, and arrives in Shanghai via Singapore and Hongkong about January 30.

The P. and O. s.s. Perim is expected to leave Penang for Shanghai via ports on January 24.

The P. and O. s.s. Padua left London at 3 p.m. on January 9 for Shanghai and ports.

The P. and O. s.s. Morea, from London on December 7, left Hongkong at 8 o'clock Sunday morning, and is to dock at the Hongkew Wharf this morning.

The M.M. s.s. Andre Lebon left Kobe at 10 p.m. Sunday, and is expected to arrive in Shanghai about 9 o'clock this morning, berthing at the lower buoys. The vessel will sail for Marseilles on Friday morning, and the tender with passengers for the steamer leaves the M.M. Jetty, French Bund, at 8 o'clock. Heavy baggage should be delivered to the Company's office before noon tomorrow.

The Blue Funnel s.s. Lycaon left Dairen on Monday and is due in Shanghai via Tsingtao tomorrow.

AMERICAN LINES

The Columbia Pacific s.s. Montague is due in Shanghai from Portland on Friday, and sails for the same port via Hongkong and Manila on January 20.

The Columbia Pacific s.s. Dewey will arrive in Shanghai from Portland on January 22, and leaves for the same port on Jan. 25.

The Dollar s.s. President Harrison, from San Francisco on January 5, was due to leave Honolulu on Saturday and arrives in Shanghai via Kobe on Jan. 29.

The C.P.S. s.s. Empress of Australia is due to leave Vancouver tomorrow and is expected at Woosung via Japan ports on February 4.

The P.M. s.s. President Lincoln was expected to arrive at yokohama from San Francisco and Honolulu last Sunday, and is expected in Shanghai next Friday.

The Adl. O. Line s.s. President Jackson, from Seattle on January 9, should arrive at Yokohama next Monday and is expected in Shanghai on January 26.

The Adl. O. Line s.s. President Jefferson is due to leave Seattle next Monday, and arrives in Shanghai via Japan ports on February 7.

The Adl. O. Line s.s. President McKinley is due in Shanghai from Seattle and Japan ports at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, and docks at the China Merchants Central Wharf. The liner brings 1,513 bags of mail as well as passengers and freight for this port, and will sail for Hongkong and Manila at 7 o'clock Friday morning.

The P.M. s.s. President Taft, fro mSan Francisco on January 10, was to leave Honolulu last Monday, and is expected in Shanghai via Japan ports on January 30.

The C.P.S. s.s. Empress of Russia arrived at Woosung from Vancouver last evening and will sail for Hongkong this afternoon. The tender with passengers for Woosung will leave the Customs jetty at 11.30 o'clock this morning.

The P.M. s.s. President Wilson which arrived at Woosung from Hongkong last evening, will steam up the river at daylight today and berthing at the Blue Funnel lower buoys. The last tender with passengers for the steamer leaves the Customs jetty at midnight tonight, and for the convenience of passengers, tenders will leave the Customs jetty at noon and 5 p.m., and from the ship at 8.30 a.m., 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. respectively.

Launch Services

TODAY

The tenders conveying passengers and hand baggage on board the Pacific Mail s.s. President Wilson, for San Francisco will leave the Customs Jetty at 5 p.m. and midnight.

The tender conveying passengers and baggage on board the C.P.S. s.s. Empress of Russia, for Hongkong will leave the Customs Jetty at 11:30 a.m.

Friday, January 18, 1924

The tender conveying passengers and hand baggage on board the M.M. s.s. Andre Lebon, for Marseilles will leave the M.M. Jetty, French Bund, at 8 a.m.

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President Taft	Dec. 15
Taiyo Maru	Dec. 18
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President Cleveland	Dec. 29
Canadian Freighter	Jan. 12
Tenyo Maru	Jan. 12
Stanley Dollar	Jan. 13

FOR VANCOUVER

Empress of Australia	Dec. 24
Empress of Asia	Jan. 13

FOR SEATTLE

West Cadron	Dec. 12
President Jackson	Dec. 15
Arabia Maru	Dec. 19
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President Jefferson	Dec. 27
President Grant	Jan. 10
Kaga Maru	Jan. 12
Manila Maru	Jan. 14

FOR PORTLAND ORE.

West Nomentum	Dec. 11
West O'Rowa	Dec. 18
West Kader	Dec. 21
Kobe Maru	Dec. 30
Erviken	Jan. 4
Elkridge	Jan. 15

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Rio Azul	Jan. 9

FOR NEW YORK

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Havre Maru	Jan. 6
Franconia	Jan. 10
Peleus	Jan. 11
Narbo	Jan. 13

FOR UNITED KINGDOM

Devanha	Dec. 11
Helenus	Dec. 13
Atsuta Maru	Dec. 15
City of Paris	Dec. 34
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Ningchow	Dec. 22
Glenapp	Dec. 25
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Fraser-i-Rind	Dec. 26
Kasuma Maru	Dec. 21
City of Tokio	Dec. 14
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Patroclus	Jan. 3
Menelaus	Jan. 7
Diomed	Jan. 7
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Sandon Hall	Jan. 10
Hakone Maru	Jan. 12
Laomedon	Jan. 15
Titan	Jan. 15

FOR HAMBURG

Holstein	Dec. 24
Pruessen	Jan. 7
Hindenburg	Jan. 15

FOR ROTTERDAM

Zosma	Dec. 31

FOR COPENHAGEN

Afrika	Dec. 11
Annam	Dec. 22

FOR MARSEILLES

Chambord	Dec. 21
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FOR TRIESTE

Duchess D'Aosta	Jan. 1

FOR INDIA

Hosang	Dec. 22
Tamba Maru	Dec. 25
Torilla	Jan. 8
Japan	Jan. 15

Vessels Due

Andre Lebon, *Kobe*	Jan. 16
Agapenor, *Liverpool*	Jan. 22
Benavon, *London*	Jan. 19
Chohei Maru, *Dairen*	Jan. 20
Chungking, *Tientsin*	Jan. 19
Cordillere, *Marseilles*	Jan. 21
Dewey, *Portland*	Jan. 22
Fooshing, *Hongkong*	Jan. 16
Glenbeg, *London*	Jan. 22
Haean, *Foochow*	Jan. 19
Hsin Kiangteen, *Ningpo*	Jan. 17
Hsin Ningshao *Ningpo*	Jan. 16
Hsin Peking, *Ningpo*	Jan. 16
Irene, *Foochow*	Jan. 16
Ixion, *Liverpool*	Jan. 17
Kendal Castle, *New York*	Jan. 21
Kialee, *Chinwangtao*	Jan. 16
Kiangan, *Hankow*	Jan. 19
Kianghsin, *Hankow*	Jan. 20
Kiangshun, *Hankow*	Jan. 22
Kiangteen, *Hankow*	Jan. 21
Kiangyu, *Hankow*	Jan. 17
Kiangyung, *Hankow*	Jan. 18
Kumano Maru, *Osaka*	Jan. 20
Kutwo, *Hankow*	Jan. 19
Kwongsang, *Hongkong*	Jan. 18
Liangchow, *Tsingtao*	Jan. 18
Loongwo, *Hankow*	Jan. 20
Luenho, *Hankow*	Jan. 23
Lycaon, *Dairen*	Jan. 17
Macedonia, *Kobe*	Jan. 18
Moji Maru, *Kobe*	Jan. 23
Montague, *Portland*	Jan. 13
Morea, *London*	Jan. 16
Nagasaki Maru, *Nagasaki*	Jan. 17
Nganking, *Hankow*	Jan. 20
Ningpo, *Swatow*	Jan. 16
Omi Maru, *Osaka*	Jan. 23
Pakhoi, *Hongkong*	Jan. 19
Pingwo, *Hankow*	Jan. 21
Poyang, *Hankow*	Jan. 23
Pres. Lincoln, *S. Francisco*	Jan. 18
Pres. Madison, *Hongkong*	Jan. 19
Pres. McKinley, *Seattle*	Jan. 17
Saikio Maru, *Dairen*	Jan. 23
Sakaki Maru, *Dairen*	Jan. 17
Shanghai M. *Nagasaki*	Jan. 21
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Shinyo Maru, *S. Francisco*	Jan. 21
Shuntien, *Tientsin*	Jan. 16
Sinkiang, *Hongkong*	Jan. 16
Soochow, *Hongkong*	Jan. 21
Suiwo, *Hankow*	Jan. 16
Suiyang, *Hongkong*	Jan. 23
Taian Maru, *Yokohama*	Jan. 22
Taksang, *Hongkong*	Jan. 16
Tatung, *Hankow*	Jan. 19
Tsukuba Maru, *Yokohama*	Jan. 20
Tuckwo, *Hankow*	Jan. 17
Tungting, *Hankow*	Jan. 17
Waishing, *Pukow*	Jan. 16
Wakasa Maru, *Hongkong*	Jan. 21
Wenchow, *Hankow*	Jan. 21
West Montop, *S. Francisco*	Jan. 31
Whangpu, *Hankow*	Jan. 16
W. Holbrook, *S. Francisco*	Jan. 20
Woosung, *Hankow*	Jan. 18
Wray Castle, *New York*	Jan. 23
Yamashiro Maru, *Osaka*	Jan. 16
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E/Asia	Mar. 22	Mar. 31	E/Canada	Sept. 15	Sept. 29
E/Russia	Apr. 5	Apr. 21	E/Russia	Sept. 27	Oct. 13
E/Australia	Apr. 21	May 7	E/Australia	Oct. 13	Oct. 29
E/Asia	May 10	May 26	E/Asia	Oct. 25	Nov. 10
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Jan. 19	— Portland, Ore	Hannawa	Am. Lumber Co.
Jan. 20	— Seattle	†P. Madison	AM. Adl. O. Line
Jan. 20	— Portland, Ore.	Montague	Am. Lumber Co.
Jan. 25	— Portland, Ore.	Dewey	Am. Lumber Co.
Jan. 26	— San Francisco	Korea Maru	Jap. T.K.K.
Jan. 30	— New York via Suez	Hyson	Br. B. & S.
Feb. 1	— Seattle	†P. McKinley	Am. Adl. O. Line
Feb. 1	— New York via Suez	P. Harrison	Am. Dollar Co.
Feb. 1	— Seattle	Iyo Maru	Jap. N.Y.K.
Feb. 1	— Portland, Ore.	W. Niger	Am. Lumber Co.
Feb. 2	— Tacoma	Alabama Maru	Jap. O.S.K.
Feb. 4	— San Francisco	†P. Lincoln	Am. P.M.S.S. Co.
Feb. 8	— San Francisco	†Shinyo Maru	Jap. T.K.K.
Feb. 9	— Vancouver	†E. of Russia	Br. C.P.S.
Feb. 10	— San Francisco, etc.	Stuart Dollar	Br. Dollar Co.
Feb. 12	— San Francisco	†W. Holbrook	Am. P.M.S.S. Co.
Feb. 13	— Seattle	†P. Jackson	Am. Adl. O. Line
Feb. 15	— New York	Mayebashi M.	Jap. N.Y.K.
Feb. 16	— San Francisco	†P. Taft	Am. P.M.S.S. Co
Feb. 17	— New York via Suez	Ixion	Br. B. & S.
Feb. 20	— San Francisco	Siberia Maru	Jap. T.K.K.
Feb. 24	— Seattle	Shidzuoka Maru	Jap. N.Y.K.
Feb. 25	— Vancouver	†E. of Australia	Br. C.P.S.
Feb. 25	— Seattle	†P. Jefferson	AM. Adl. O. Line
Feb. 27	— New York via Suez	Eurybates	Br. B. & S.
Feb. 29	— New York via Suez	P. Hays	Am. Dollar Co.
Mar. 1	— San Francisco	†P. Cleveland	Am. P.M.S.S Co.
Mar 8	— Seattle	†P. Grant	AM. Adl. O. Line
Mar. 15	— Vancouver	†E. of Asia	Br. C.P.S.
Mar. 29	— San Francisco	†P. Pierce	Am. P.M.S.S. Co

FOR JAPAN PORTS

Jan. 16	— Moji, Kobe Osaka	Nikko Maru	Jap. N. Y. K.
Jan. 16	— Kobe, Yokohama	Amboise	Fr. M.M. Cie.
Jan. 18	— Nagasaki	Nagasaki M.	Jap. N. Y. K.
Jan. 19	— Moji, Kobe, Osaka	Yamashiro M.	Jap. N. Y. K.
Jan. 22	— Nagasaki	Shanghai M.	Jap. N.Y.K.
Jan. 23	— Moji, Kobe, Osaka	Kumano Maru	Jap. N.Y.K.
Jan. 26	— Moji, Kobe, Osaka	Omi Maru	Jap. N. Y. K.

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				Kashmir	May 13

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Jan. 24	— Bombay	Moji Maru	Jap. N.Y.K.
Jan. 25	— Hamburg, etc.	C. of Cambridge	Br. J. M. & Co.
Jan. 25	Hamburg,	Tottori Maru	Jap. N. Y. K.
Jan. 26	— London	†Suwa Maru	Jap. N.Y.K.
Jan. 27	— Liverpool	Cyclops	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 28	— Hamburg, etc.	Schlesien	Ger. Mel. & Co.
Jan. 31	— London	Mentor	Br. B. & S.
Feb. 1	— Hamburg,	Emil Kirdorf	Ger. H.S. Line
Feb. 1	— Marseilles	†Amboise	Fr. M.M. Cie
Feb. 2	— Rotterdam, etc.	Olderkerk	Dut. H.C.T. Co.
Feb. 3	— Antwerp, etc.	Celebes Maru	Jap. O.S.K.
Feb. 5	— Hamburg, etc.	Saarcrucken	Ger. Mel. & Co
Feb. 5	— London	†Kashgar	Br. M.M. & Co.
Feb. 6	— Antwerp, etc.	Celebes Maru	Jap. O.S.K.
Feb. 7	— Antwerp, etc.	Agapenor	Br. B. & S.
Feb. 9	— London	†Fushimi Maru	Jap. N.Y.K.
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Feb. 15	— Marseilles	†Cordillere	Fr. M. M. Cie
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Jan. 17	—Hongkong, Canton	Iyo Maru	Jap. N.Y.K.	
Jan. 18	D.L. S. H'kong, C'ton	Fooshing	Br. J. M. & Co.	
Jan. 18	— Hongkong, Canton	Kwanglee	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.	
Jan. 18	7.00—Hongkong Manila	P. McKinley	AM. Adl. O. Line	
Jan. 18	— Wenchow	Feiching	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.	
Jan. 18	8.00*Hongkong, Canton	Ningpo	Br. B. & S.	
Jan. 19	— Hongkong, Manila	Hannawa	Am. Lumber Co.	
Jan. 19	9.00 *S. H'kong, C'ton	Yingchow	Br. B. & S.	
Jan. 20	10.00 *A. H'kong, C'ton	Chekiang	Br. B. & S.	
Jan. 20	— Hongkong, Manila	Montague	Am. Lumber Co.	
Jan. 20	— Hongkong, Manila	P. Lincoln	Am. P.M.S.S. Co.	
Jan. 21	— Hongkong, Manila	Shinyo M.	Jap. T. K. K.	
Jan. 22	11.00 *S. H'kong, C'ton	Soochow	Br. B. & S.	
Jan. 22	— Hongkong, Manila	W. Holbrook	Am. P.M.S.S. Co.	
Jan. 23	— Hongkong, Manila	P. Jackson	AM. Adl. O. Line	
Jan. 31	— Hongkong, Manila	Shidzuoka M.	Jap. N.Y.K.	
Jan. 31	— Hongkong	Siberia M.	Jap. T.K.K.	
Feb. 1	— Hongkong, Manila	P. Taft	Am. P.M.S.S. Co.	
Feb. 1	— Hongkong	Siberia Maru	Jap. T.K.K.	
Feb. 4	— Hongkong	E. of Australia	Br. C. P. S.	
Feb. 9	— Hongkong, Manila	P. Jefferson	Am. Adl. O. Line	
Feb. 15	— Hongkong, Manila	P. Cleveland	Am. P.M.S.S. Co.	

FOR NORTHERN PORTS

Jan. 16	D.L. W. C'foo, T'tsin	Chusan	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 16	D.L. Tsingtao	Yatshing	Br. J. M. & Co.
Jan. 17	— Tientsin	Kwangping	Br. K. M. A.
Jan. 17	— Tsingtao, Dairen	Kohoku Maru	Jap. O.S.K.
Jan. 18	10.00*Tsingtao, Dairen	Sukaki Maru	Jap. D. K. K.
Jan. 18	D.L. W. C'foo, T'tsin	Taksang	Br. J. M. & Co.
Jan. 19	9.00 *Tsingtao	Sinklang	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 19	10.00 *W. C'foo, T'tsin	Shuntien	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 22	Tsingtao, Dairen	Chohei Maru	Jap. D.K.K.
Jan. 24	— Tsingtao, Dairen	Seikio Maru	Jap. D.K.K.

FOR RIVER PORTS

Jan. 16	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Kiangtoo	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co
Jan. 16	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Luenyi	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 17	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Kiangwah	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.
Jan. 17	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Sutwo	Br. J. M. & Co.
Jan. 17	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Whangpu	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 17	7.00 *Pukow	Shansi	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 17	D.L. Wuhu, Hankow	Shengking	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 18	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Kiangyu	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.
Jan. 18	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Tuckwo	Br. J. M. & Co.
Jan. 18	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Tungting	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 18	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Tehhsing	Chi. S.P.S.N. Co.
Jan. 19	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Woosung	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 19	D.L. Pukow	Kwongsang	Br. J. M. & Co.
Jan. 19	9.00 *Wuhu	Pakhoi	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 19	9.00 *Wuhu	Chihli	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 20	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Kiangyung	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.
Jan. 21	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Kiangan	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.
Jan. 21	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Kutwo	Br. J. M. & Co.
Jan. 21	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Tatung	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 22	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Kiangshin	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.
Jan. 22	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Loongwo	Br. J. M. & Co.
Jan. 22	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Nganking	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 22	11.00 *Pukow	Chinkiang	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 23	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Kiangteen	Chi. C.M.S.N. Co.
Jan. 23	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Pingwo	Br. J. M. & Co.
Jan. 23	M.N. Hankow, etc.	Wenchow	Br. B. & S.
Jan. 24	noon Hankow	Tientsin	Br. B. & S.

M. N.—MIDNIGHT. †CARRYING MAIL.
D. L.—DAYLIGHT. *MORNING

Men-Of-War In Port

Section	Date	Name	Flag and Rating
JNB	Jan. 10	Ataka	Jap. Gunboat
1 C	Dec. 29	D. de Lagree	Fr. Gunboat
FNB	Dec. 26	Jules Ferry	Fr. Cruiser
ODW	Mar. 23	Mantis	Br. Gun-boat
NSNB	Nov. 30	Penguin	Am. Gun-boat
NSNB	Nov. 30	Pigeon	Am. Gun-boat
1 C	Nov. 15	Seb. Caboto	Ital. Gun-boat

The China Press Mail Schedule

TO THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE

DATE	CLOSING	STEAMER	DUE AT	DATE
Today	9 p.m.	P. Wilson	S. Francisco	Feb. 4
Jan. 19	9 p.m.	P. Madison	Seattle	Feb. 5

TO SOUTHERN PORTS, INDIA AND EUROPE VIA SUEZ

DATE	CLOSING	STEAMER	DUE AT	DATE
Jan. 17	9 p.m.	A. Lebon	Marseilles	Feb. 22
Jan. 22	3 p.m.	Macedonia	Marseilles	Feb. 22

TO NORTHERN PORTS

TO	DATE	CLOSING	STEAMER
Vladivostok	Daily	9 p.m.	via Harbin
Siberia	Daily	9 p.m.	via Chita
Tientsin	Today	9 p.m.	Kwangping
W'wei, C'foo, T'tsin	Jan. 17	9 p.m.	Taksang
Tsingtao & Dalny	Jan. 18	7.30 a.m.	Sakaki Maru
Tsingtao	Jan. 19	7 a.m.	Sinklang
W'wei, C'foo, T'tsin	Jan. 19	8 a.m.	Shuntien

TO SOUTHERN PORTS

TO	DATE	CLOSING	STEAMER
Swatow	Today	9 p.m.	Shantung
Swatow	Today	9 p.m.	Chengtu
Amoy	Today	9 p.m.	Kanchow
Hongkong and Canton	Today	9.30 a.m.	E. of Russia
Wenchow	Today	9 p.m.	Feiching
Foochow	Today	9 p.m.	Hsinchi
Hongkong & Canton	Jan. 17	3 p.m.	P. McKinley
Hongkong & Canton	Jan. 17	9 p.m.	A. Lebon
Swatow	Jan. 17	9 p.m.	Fooshing
Hongkong & Canton	Jan. 17	9 p.m.	Kwanglee
Swatow	Jan. 19	7 a.m.	Yingchow
Amoy	Jan. 20	8 a.m.	Chekiang

MISCELLANOUS PORTS

TO	DATE	CLOSING	STEAMER
Russia and Europe	Daily	9 p.m.	via Train
River ports	Daily	9 p.m.	via Train
Manila	Today	8 p.m.	Iyo Maru
Manila, Australia & N. Zealand	Today	9.30 a.m.	E. of Russia
Japan ports	Jan. 17	8 p.m.	Nagasaki M.
Manila, Australia and N. Zealand	Jan. 17	8 p.m.	P. McKinley
Manila, Australia and N. Zealand	Jan. 17	9 p.m.	A. Lebon
Japan ports	Jan. 18	8 p.m.	Yamashiro M.
Manila, Australia & N. Zealand	Jan. 19	8 p.m.	P. Lincoln
Japan ports	Jan. 21	8 p.m.	Shanghai M.

Information For Mariners

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 16, 1924

The day tide are higher than the night tides, they are nearly equal at 3 o'clock.
Approximate rise, at spring 4¼ h; at neaps, 5 h.
fall, at spring 3¼ h; at neaps, 7½ h.

Time	Range	Time	Range
7h. 30m.	4ft. 0in.	8h. 15m.	2ft. 3in.

High Water at Tungsha Lightship
(The day tides are higher than the night tides.)
Approximate rise, 1½ h; approximate fall, 7 h.

A.M.		P.M.	
6	24	7	0

Time of Moonrise, Moonset, Sunrise, Sunset.

Mon Rises	Mon Sets	Sun Rises	Sun Sets	Daylight	Dark
1.3 p.m.	1.45 a.m.	7h. 1m.	5h. 18m.	6h. 16m.	6h. 3m.

Mean Barometric Pressure. January 30.30 in. 769.8 mm.

Meteorological Report

January 16 1924 SICAWEI

Sun rises today at 7.2		Jan. 11		Jan. 12
Sun sets today at 17.17		16 h.	22 h.	4 h.	9 h.
(inches		30.19	30.19	30.13	30.15
Barometer (variation for 24 hours		−0.21	−0.24	−0.20	−0.15
at 32° F. (variation for 12 hours		−0.14	−0.11	−0.06	−0.04
Wind—Direction		S	S	S	S
Wind—Miles per hour		11.2	6.2	5.6	2.5
Temperature (Fahr.)		51°2	47°5	46°4	45°8
Humidity %		65	88	93	82
Nebulosity (0-10)		10	10	10	9
Rainfall, inches		—	0.004	0.004	0.02

SICCAWEI ABRIDGED REPORT January 11, 1924		Mean 1923.	24 hrs. variation.	Previous average (25 yrs.) same period.
Temperature	(Min. 33°1)	30.24	−0.19	30.35
Temperature	(Min. 37°1)			
(Fahr.)	(Max. 54°7)	45°9	+5°9	38°7
Rainfall since January 1 (ending midnight)		0.03	0.01	0.52

Steamers Arrived

January 14
Uji Maru from Japan
C. of Canterbury from Europe
Times from Chinwangtao
Shengking from Swatow

January 15
Yungshin from Ningpo
Hsin Kiangteen from Ningpo
Feiching from Wenchow
Kwanglee from Hongkong
Wawalona from Portland
Daiya Maru from Japan
Nanchang from Hongkong
Malaya from Japan
Nanning from Hongkong
Sungshan Maru from Amoy
Shenglee from Tsingtao
Shantung from Pukow
Luenyi from Hankow
Tachi Maru from Hankow
Grace Dollar from U.S.A.
E. of Russia from Vancouver
Pres. Wilson from Hongkong

Steamers Departed

January 15
Luenho for Hankow
Kiangshun for Hankow
Poyang for Hankow
Siangyang Maru for Hankow
U.S.S. Penguin for Cruise
Saarbruecken for Japan
Robert Dollar for Japan
Tatsuno Maru for T. Dairen
Shanghai Maru for Japan
Elkridge for Portland
Laomedon for Europe
Szechuen for H'kong, C'ton
Kaho for Amoy, Swatow
Persia for Dairen
Japan for Calcutta via Japan
Titan for Europe
Hindenburg for Europe
Myogisan Maru for Wuhu
Kronviken for Chinwangtao
Kingsing for Swatow
Kiangping for Tsingtao
Yungshin for Ningpo
Hsin Kiangteen for Ningpo

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American Ships Carrying Half Of U. S. Imports

Washington, Dec. 9.—The Shipping Board today announced that American vessels carried 49 percent of the country's imports and 30 percent of its exports in the first nine months of 1923. This excludes consideration of shipping on the Great Lakes, but does include the large movement of petroleum in tank vessels. On a basis of dry cargoes alone, still exclusive of the Great Lakes, American flag vessels transported 31 percent of both inward and outward cargoes.

"The trend of commerce presents several interesting features," says the board's announcement. "The total export business, measured in tons of shipping weight, was lower for the month of September than in any month since the resumption of post-war shipping activities, and this falling off is entirely in the overseas trade.

"For the calendar year 1922, our overseas dry cargo exports averaged more than 2,000,000 tons a month and aggregated for the year nearly 26,000,000 tons. For September, 1923, they were but slightly over 1,500,000 tons. On the other hand, our overseas import of dry cargoes has exceeded 1,000,000 tons a month, with the exception of one month, since the middle of 1922, whereas up to that time it had averaged but slightly over 600,000 tons per month.

"One especially interesting feature is the increasing share the minor maritime flags are gaining in our foreign commerce. We are accustomed to measure the preference of our operation costs on the basis of the British merchant marine, neglecting the fact the other countries have costs much lower than the British, and are especially favored at present by their depreciated exchange rates.

"Of our total dry cargo import trade, in 1922 British ships carried 31 percent, and all other foreign flags carried 34 percent. For the first nine months of 1923, British ships carried 28 percent, while other foreign flags carried 42 percent. The same thing is true with our export movement. In 1922, British ships carried 31 percent of the total, and other foreign nations 35 percent. Up to the end of September, 1923, British vessels were averaging 30 percent, while the figure for other foreign countries had increased to 39 percent.

"Even in the tanker business, which has been heretofore almost monopolised by American flag tank ships, the percentage carried by other foreign flags than British has grown from 6 percent of the import movement in 1922 to 12 percent in 1923, and from 20 percent to 23 percent in the export movement.

"The fact that the growth is taking place in foreign flags other than British, and that British shipping, if anything, is falling off, shows the advantage enjoyed by the shipowners of foreign nations who are able to pay low wages in depreciated currency in the present time of extremely low ocean freight rates."

The Gold Franc Issue

BY DR. GILBERT REID
(Translated from the International Journal)

On the 27th of December the Minister of the Foreign Office, Dr. Wellington Koo, sent a Note to the Ministers of eight Governments in regard to the way the Boxer indemnity should be paid to France and others. This Note was a reply to a previous joint Note of these eight Ministers. Dr. Koo at considerable length presents a sagacious argument in elucidation of the Chinese point of view, and all based on the Protocol of 1901 and subsequent interchange of Notes. What he writes will commend itself to the Chinese, but we doubt if it will prove acceptable to the French and other Ministers. Dr. Koo avoids antagonizing the Diplomatic Corps and most of his points are beyond dispute. Wherein one may agree and also disagree will be seen in analyzing his argument on three subjects

(1) The first subject is how payment is to be made. Both at the beginning and the end of his Note he takes the position that the word "gold" as used in Article VI of the Protocol of 1901 and in the Arrangement of 1905 cannot be reasonably constructed to mean anything other than the currencies of the Signatory Powers. This is beyond dispute. The foreign Ministers in speaking of gold payment or gold franc have always had currency in mind, not gold as a metal. But gold currency is of value and has stability because it is of gold metal, more precious than silver and far different from paper. Gold is a standard for computing all forms of money.

(2) The next subject is that of "telegraphic transfer." Of three methods left optional to each Power in requiring payment by China, in the Arrangement of 1905, France as well as most of the Powers elected "telegraphic transfer." Dr. Koo adds: "These selections were proposed and accepted with the express understanding that they were to remain effective "till the debt is extinguished." "Telegraphic transfer is not only the stipulated mode of payment for most of the Powers. . . . but it is also a method of international exchange." This method of telegraphic transfer was adopted by six Governments, while Japan stipulated that such transfer be made in sterling in London. Such procedure continued down to 1917. Therefore on this particular question of telegraphic transfer there is no dispute between Dr. Koo and the foreign Powers. Where Dr. Koo and the French Minister will differ is as to one phase of the main issue. Dr. Koo would make such transfer directly into paper francs, France insists that whatever the form of transfer, it must in accordance with the treaty be made into gold. The main thing is the payment in gold; the minor thing, not fixed by treaty, is the mode of payment. All along the forms of receipts or coupons have stated clearly that so many gold francs have been received. The essential thing in the treaty should not be upset by a minor consideration.

If China insists on telegraphic transfer, this does not mean that it must be directly into paper francs, but can be made indirectly. Thus from the start Japan had the transfer made in London through gold sterling. So now in paying France, China can make telegraphic transfer into gold sterling in London or gold dollars in New York, and the banks can arrange as to exchange with Paris, either on the gold franc basis, or into paper francs according to the exchange rate. The foreign banks know well that the number of gold francs and of paper francs is not the same, and so will make exchange accordingly. Paper francs will continue to be used in trade, but their value will be computed on gold as a basis.

Two examples can be cited. Germany in paying reparations must pay in gold marks, though paper marks are used in internal trade. Since 1917, China in making use of the indemnity to Germany has held to the amount in gold marks, not to a similar amount in paper marks. So in retaining the indemnity to Russia, China has reckoned not in paper rubles but in gold rubles. In both cases paper is so much paper and no more, and millions of such marks or rubles would not be accepted by China.

China and France can agree on telegraphic transfer, but France cannot agree that a payment in paper francs shall be the same amount as a payment in gold francs, for in the market gold and paper francs are not the same.

(3) A third matter brought up in the Note of the Foreign Office is that of the fluctuation of the gold exchange rates, sometimes favorable to China and sometimes unfavorable. What Dr. Koo here says will also be disputed by no one. The particular fluctuations between gold and paper francs are matters that concern France. What concerns China is the fluctuation between silver tael and the gold franc or the gold currency of every country. When the treaty was made, this fluctuation was avoided by fixing on a definite rate of exchange with every country.

In the case of France there is still less a reason for stirring up opposition, for France has been ready to return to China for use in China the remaining portion of her quota of the indemnity. Under such circumstances it ought not be hard for the two Governments to come to an agreement as to the payment, whether in the fixed amount in gold francs as based on fixed rate of exchange, or in the amount in silver taels as stated in the treaty. Seeing that the money is to be retained in China, the latter mode of payment, as we have more than once suggested, would be the natural process and free from all dispute on either side.

Seeing that France is thus ready to return the indemnity, her generosity deserves friendly response. Otherwise, China may lose not only this favor, but other favors which France can be persuaded to grant, if the Chinese Government refrains from opposition on this one matter of the gold franc. The way Dr. Koo presents the matter will satisfy Chinese critics but not the Diplomatic Corps, but in reality the difference is so slight that it can be removed through friendly consultation.

Miss Harlan Is Secretary To Mrs. Coolidge

Miss Laura Harlan

Mrs. Calvin Coolidge, wife of the President, has retained Miss Laura Harlan as her private and social secretary. Miss Harlan, daughter of the late John Maynard Harlan, of Kentucky, former Justice of the United Saates Supreme Court, acted in that capacity for Mrs. Harding.

Chang Chien Party Inspect Sheffield

(Reuter's Service)

London, Jan. 14.—The Chinese commercial mission were the guests today of the Sheffield Chamber of Commerce and spent a busy and instructive day at the Vickers steel-works, where they saw armament making, and also at Messrs. Edgar Allen's and Messrs. Arthur Balfour's steel-works. The mission was entertained to luncheon at Vickers's works, at which the Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce presided.

Birmingham will be omitted from the places visited owing to the brevity of the mission's stay in Britain, but Mr. C. F. Hsu of the Ministry of Communications has arrived and is visiting large works, including the Metropolitan Carriage & Wagon Co., Messrs. Belliss & Morcom's, and the Austin and Wolseley motor-works.

Zaglul Pasha Sees Splendid Victory In Voting Returns

(Reuter's Service)

Cairo, Jan. 14.—The official election results show that the Zaglulists have obtained 150 seats, the Liberal-Constitutionalists 14, the Watanists 2 and the Independents 4. Forty-one constituences will vote again on January 17 owing to the candidates failing to obtain the requisite majorities. The Zaglulists expect to win most of these seats.

Zaglul Pasha, in the course of a manifesto rejoicing over the "splendid victory of patriotic Egyptians," says although many chose a different course and acted wrongfully, he is prepared to welcome them back. He adds that externally Egypt is united in demanding complete independence: internally Egyptians are free to differ.

Zanzibar Greets Empire Squadron

(Reuter's Service)

Zanzibar, Jan. 14.—The Sultan and crowds of Europeans and natives watched the arrival today of the battle-cruisers engaged in the Empire cruise. A detachment from each ship marched through the streets, which were gaily bedecked with flags and palms. Thousands of natives witnessed the march-past at which the Sultan took the salute. The natives who were allowed to visit the ships were speechless with amazement at the magnitude of the cruisers and the size of the guns.

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